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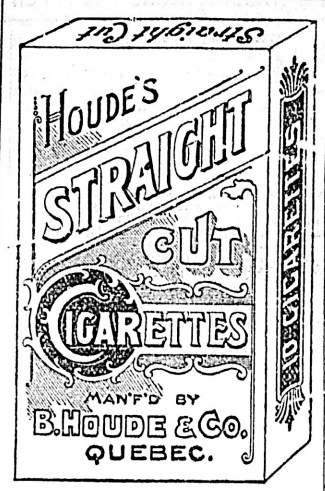

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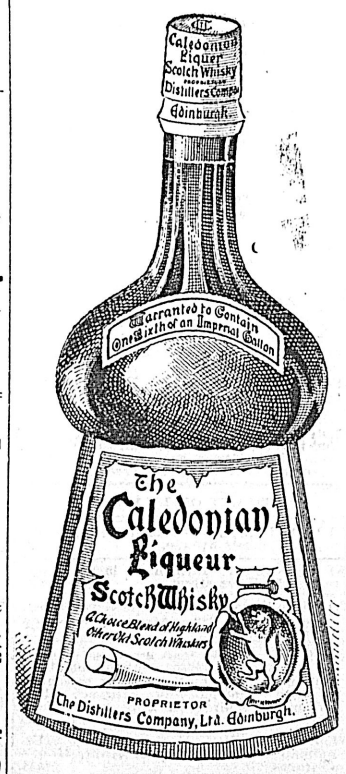

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Welcome at Jacobsdal

Townsfolk Agreeably Surprised to Find British Troops Not Looters.

Now Receiving Them as Friends—President Steyn Betrayed His People.

Boers From Magersfontein Return to Farms in Disorganized Masses.

By Associated Press.

Jacobsdal, Feb. 17.—Lord Roberts' troops to-day entered this town, which has been in the possession of the British since yesterday. The utmost order prevails. Military police patrol the streets, but not a stick of furniture, not even an apple from the trees, has been taken. A sentry is placed before each store, and the soldiers are allowed to enter and purchase what they require.

Everything is so peaceful that the inhabitants express the utmost surprise, as it had been diligently reported that the British occupation meant instant looting. Judging from the conversation of the inhabitants, the Free State is tired of the war. It is openly said here that Steyn betrayed the people. When the latter became satisfied there was no truth in the stories of the looting proclivities of the British, the townspeople welcomed the British as friends.

Since the battle of Modder River the town has not been garrisoned, but has merely been used as a postal depot. When the Boers fired on the British Wednesday the townspeople protested. Although the British shelling yesterday considerably frightened the women, the shells were only directed at a ridge beyond the town, which was entrenched. The large hospital remains in beautiful order. It is clean and sanitary, and the wounded on both sides are equally well attended.

A correspondent talked with a number of the Boer wounded, and they all acknowledged that the British movement had been made against the burgher commandos. Even now, it is added, they are under the impression that the sole object was the capture of Jacobsdal. When informed of the relief of Kimberley they were at first incredulous and then astounded. The landrost remains in the town.

News has reached here that the Boers are leaving Magersfontein and are returning in disorganized masses to their farms.

The invasion of the Free State has undoubtedly struck a hard blow, which may result in the disaffection of a large number of Free Staters.

BRABANT'S HORSE ENGAGED.

Fierce Struggle at Dordrecht—Burnt Grass Made Good Marks of British Uniforms.

London, Feb. 18.—A despatch from Bird's River reports a drawn fight between Brabant's Horse and the Boers at Dordrecht on February 16. The engagement lasted eight hours, until darkness set in. The British loss was eight killed and four wounded. The Boer casualties are unknown. The latter had burned the grass around the position so that British uniforms showed up distinctly against the black background. After the fight, the despatch says, the British entered Dordrecht, but left later.

FOR THE HOSPITAL SHIP.

American Lady in London Appeals to Old Friends of California and Nevada.

London, Feb. 17.—Lady Hesketh is the latest American to take an active part in the affairs of the hospital ship Maine. She has been in communication with Mrs. John Kirkpatrick of San Francisco in regard to the formation of a committee for the Pacific Coast and has opened a subscription there with £100. In her letter, Lady Hesketh says: "It is my particular privilege to forward this appeal to my native state of California and to the people of Nevada who so long honored my father, Wm. Sharon, with their confidence as their representative in the senate. There are no more kind-hearted and no more open-handed people than those of these states."

DR. LEYDS' BRAVE WORDS.

From His Safe Retreat in Europe He Has No Fear of What Roberts Can Do.

London, Feb. 18.—A special despatch from Brussels says: "Dr. Leyds refuses to talk to press representatives regarding affairs in South Africa, further than to say that his confidence is still absolute, and that he does not fear an invasion of the Free State, the burghers in that republic being armed and prepared to resist the British.

Dr. Leyds has telegraphed to the Pope, asking an audience of His Holiness, which will be accorded. It is certain, however, that he will not be received by King Humbert.

INDIAN TROOPS FOR AFRICA.

Probability of Objection to Their Use in Boer War Being Overcome.

London, Feb. 17.—It is more than probable that native Indian troops will eventually be used in South Africa. There is a strong element in the cabinet in favor of this step and it is likely it would have been taken long ago but for fear of the non-conformist consciences and religio-political influences.

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NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Mr. Sifton to Visit England—Trade Continues to Increase—Death of Another Volunteer.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—Mr. Sifton leaves for England in three weeks to be absent for a considerable period. He is about to undergo treatment for deafness, which has been growing worse.

Imports last month increased $3,750,000; exports increased $7,500,000.

Private David Moore, of London, a member of the first contingent for South Africa, has died of fever.

The staff course at Kingston to have commenced on the first of February collapsed owing to the absence of an instructor and the permanent corps officers being required at several headquarters.

Buller Fought All the Week

His Casualties Have Been Slight and Result of Operations Satisfactory.

Boers Moving off to Free State—Flying Column Quieting Zululand.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 18, 3.50 a.m.—The war office made the usual statement at midnight that it had no news, but at about the same time despatches were received from Durban dated Saturday evening giving reports of renewed fighting on the Tugela, where the censor had stopped all telegrams.

Arrivals at Durban from the Tugela say important operations are progressing and that fighting occurred daily since the commencement of the week. In these engagements the British casualties have been comparatively light.

According to these unconfirmed reports General Buller had occupied Vaal Krantz and the Boers had retreated in the direction of the Free State.

In the meantime officers and men are arriving daily at Durban and placed aboard four hospital ships now there.

Despatches from Zululand received at Durban say the country is quieting down, thanks to the flying column. The Boers seem nervous and uncertain and have stayed their advance.

London, Feb. 17.—A despatch to the evening news from Lorenzo Marques, dated to-day, says: "From Boer sources it is reported that the British are attacking the upper position at Vaal Krantz, and that the Boers are still holding the position. This report is probably identical with the bombardment of Blaauw Krantz as reported yesterday.

THE RETREAT FROM RENSBURG

Missing Companies of Wiltshire Regiment Were Asleep When Others Marched Out.

Arundel, Feb. 16.—The retirement of the British from Rensburg was most orderly. The railway had withdrawn the stores on the previous day, and the baggage wagons left before the evacuation took place.

A part of the two companies of the Wiltshire regiment who were missing and the members of which were presumably asleep after having been on outpost duty, have since arrived. The other members of the two companies have probably been taken prisoners.

ATTACHES MISSING.

London, Feb. 18.—Lloyds' Weekly Newspaper this morning publishes a despatch from Modder River, under date of February 16, evening, saying the American and Austrian attaches are reported to be missing. Another despatch from Jacobsdal the same day states that Capt. Slocum, an American attache, and the Austrian attache are at that place.

THUGS EXTRADITED.

Montreal, Feb. 16.—Morel and Robert, the two men arrested here for shooting and wounding two Scranton policemen, were to-day committed for extradition. Scranton officers are here, and the men will return with them at the expiration of the fifteen days' delay.

TO IMPERIAL COMMONS.

London, Feb. 16.—Hon. Iver Guest, Conservative, has been elected to represent Plymouth in the House of Commons, without opposition, in succession to Sir Edward Clarke.

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A Brilliant Opening

Roberts' Plan to Encircle and Capture the Whole Free State Force.

Though Cronje Escaped His Army is Crippled by Loss of Stores Abandoned

Problem Now to Clear Railway Line of Boers Threatening Communications.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 17.—Mr. Spencer Wilkinson, the military expert, reviewing the situation in South Africa for the Post at midnight, said:

"Lord Roberts has begun his campaign by striking at the principal Boer force in the western theatre of war, that of Commandant Cronje, covering the siege of Kimberley.

"In a little over three weeks Lord Roberts has completed the organization of his forces. He then quietly massed some 50,000 men, four infantry divisions and a cavalry division, near the selected point, reaching Modder River station on Friday, February 9. He must have put his troops in motion with the least possible delay, for on Monday the action began. It was an attempt to turn the Boers' position by a march round its left or eastern flank.

"On Monday Gen. French's cavalry seized the passages of the Riet river, southeast of Jacobsdal, and were at once followed up by two infantry divisions. On Thursday the cavalry moved north and seized the crossings of the Modder river, the infantry following at their heels. On Thursday, when one division of infantry was on the Modder and another close behind it between the two rivers, the cavalry moved forward towards Kimberley and dispersed the besiegers from the southeastern front, and opened connection with the town.

"The same day troops from the old camp at Modder River station opened communication with Jacobsdal, which had already been taken.

"Thus Lord Roberts had a semi-circle around the Boer position at Magersfontein, from Kimberley on the north to Modder River station on the south, and possibly the line was prolonged from Modder River station to the northwest, so that Gen. French might hope by passing through Kimberley to complete the circle, and thus to enable Lord Roberts to envelope and capture Cronje's whole force.

"The plan was brilliantly conceived and vigorously executed, but Cronje had been able to evade the blow.

"When Gen. French reached Kimberley it was found that Cronje with the bulk of his force had moved off towards Bloemfontein, apparently by the Boshof road, or by a shorter route along the north bank of the Modder. The laagers and stores abandoned and the convoy captured prove that Cronje left in haste, and one of Gen. Kelly-Kenny's brigades was last reported as pursuing and engaging the Boer rear guard. Gen. Kitchener is superintending the pursuit, which may be effective.

"Of the First and Ninth divisions no mention has been made in the telegrams, and the inference is that part of the design is as yet undisclosed. Possibly their function is to complete the circuit on the west. Perhaps, too, a force is making to the eastward south of Modder river, to intercept Cronje, though as the mounted Boers cover 30 miles a day, no infantry can catch them. A part of the Boer force may have retreated to the northwest towards Barkley, and will no doubt be pursued.

"There is no doubt Kimberley is relieved, and that the railway will soon be re-opened. This is a success, but the more valuable result—the destruction of a part of the Boer army—has not been secured. It cannot be said under the circumstances that this is attributable to weakness in British generalship, which seems to have been excellent.

"There are disquieting features in the news. The capture by Boers, said to have come from Colesberg, of a large British convoy, may diminish the mobility of the British force, and is a proof of the energy of the Boer leaders. The vigorous attack on the British at Rensburg shows that the Boers mean to reply to Lord Roberts' advance by striking at his communications.

"Until the issue of the operations around Kimberley is fully known it is useless to speculate upon the next move of Lord Roberts. The fact that Kimberley has been relieved and that Cronje has had to make a hasty retreat are to the good side of the account. The opinion is widespread that the invasion of the Free State will bring the Boer army, or at least the Free State contingent, out of Natal."

The Canadians At Jacobsdal

As Part of Ninth Brigade Engaged in Rout of Free State Forces.

Five Men Including One British Columbian Fall Out on the March.

Associated Press Correspondence.

Montreal, Feb. 17.—The Star received the following cable to-day from its special correspondent, W. Richmond-Smith:

"Jacobsdal, Feb. 15 (via Modder River, Feb. 16, delayed in transmission).—In operations which have resulted in the occupation of Jacobsdal by British troops, in the hasty retreat of General Cronje from Magersfontein, and in the relief of Kimberley the Royal Canadian Regiment was given a share.

"When the order to make the forward movement was given the Canadians, who were brigaded in the Ninth Division, moved out from Wegedraal, on the right flank of the force to attack Jacobsdal as reserves. Preparatory to the occupation of Jacobsdal, General French arrived at Wegedraal on the 15th. The Seventh Division advanced upon Jacobsdal from the east on the afternoon of the same day. After the junction of forces at Wegedraal and the decision to advance upon Jacobsdal, it was seen that a sharp fight was in store. The City of London Volunteers formed the advance guard, the South Wales Borderers were placed in the centre, and the North Staffords on the right flank. These latter were first in Jacobsdal. They cleared out the Boers opposing them after a gallant charge with their bayonets.

"Meanwhile the 75th battery shelled outskirts of the town. The enemy retired towards Magersfontein, where Gen. Cronje's forces were entrenched. Col. Henry and Major Hazlett were wounded and captured in the action on Tuesday and after the Boers evacuated Jacobsdal we found these officers and ten of the British, who had been wounded in a previous engagement.

"While the Canadians' part of the Ninth Division was protecting the right flank of the troops operating for the capture of Jacobsdal a rear guard composed of troops from the Ninth Division attacked Watervaal Drift. They were acting as an escort to the British supply column and quite a heavy engagement ensued.

"General French with his cavalry, after the capture of Jacobsdal, pushed on towards Kimberley.

"In the advance from Wegedraal, several Canadians fell out on the march and are either in the hospital or captured. Their names are Private James Drake, formerly of the 63rd Halifax Rifles; Private M. Munnis, formerly of the 63rd Halifax Rifles; Private T. J. Walsh, formerly of the 62nd Princess Louise Fusiliers, of St. John, all of "H" Company; Private Bordonnais, of "D" Company; Private A. W. Woodward, formerly of the 26th, Middlesex Light Infantry, of B. Company; Private G. R. Corbould, formerly of 5th Regiment, Canadian Artillery, "A" Company.

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Shelling Cronje In His Retreat.

Kelly-Kenny's Brigade Harass Fugitive Boers and Capture Their Supplies.

Kitchener Supervising the Operations—British Have Taken Many Prisoners.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 17.— Adespatch to the war office from Lord Roberts says:

"Jacobsdal, Feb. 17.—Gen. Kelly-Kenny's brigade captured yesterday 78 wagons laden with stores, 2 wagons of Mauser rifles, 8 boxes of shells, 10 barrels of explosives and a large quantity of stores, all belonging to Cronje's laager, which was being shelled by our artillery when Kitchener despatched his messenger."

Gen. Roberts reports the British casualties during the fighting at Jacobsdal as follows: One killed, 14 wounded, and three missing.

Jacobsdal, Feb. 16.—Via Modder River, Feb. 17.—Gen. Cronje with 10,000 men is in full retreat towards Bloemfontein. Gen. Kelly-Kenny is fighting a rear guard and harassing the retreat.

The Boers are reported to be leaving Spytfontein, going in a northwesterly direction.

The Boers captured a large convoy as a result of Thursday's fighting at Riet River. The British casualties were slight in view of the tremendou bombardment. Less than 30 men were wounded and but one killed.

London, Feb. 17.—The Chronicle's second edition this morning has the following despatch from Watervaal Drift, dated February 16, moraing:

"Lord Roberts, with the 6th and 7th Division and the Cavalry Division marched to relieve Kimberley, rendezvoused at Enslin and then marched toward the Free State.

"The Sixth Division crossed the Reit River at Watervaal Drift and marched along the right bank. The Boers showed fight and we had several casualties. The division then marched on to Jacobsdal.

"The cavalry captured Brown's Drift on the left flank of the Boers' main position.

"Both columns are now marching north, parallel with each other.

"The British captured many prisoners, but their casualties were slight."

The Chronicle has the following despatch from Wegedlies, undated, via Modder River, February 16:

"Gen. Kelly-Kenny, with the Seventh Division, has entered Jacobsdal. The Boers made a feeble attempt to hold the eastern ridges, but were outflanked by mounted infantry and retired. There were few British casualties. The division then evacuated Jacobsdal, marching north in the track of French's cavalry, which crossed the Modder River and engaged the enemy, who retired with heavy losses.

"The Seventh Division crossed the Riet River east of Koffyfontein and drove the enemy before them.

"Gen. Tucker is now on Col. Kelly-Kenny's right, and probably will effect a junction with his force. The enemy is retiring north.

"The Ninth Division under Gen. Colville is in the rear of the Sixth Division.

"The enemy so far has made no determined stand. We have captured thousands of stocks."

REVIEWED IN LONDON.

London, Feb. 17.—With Gen. Cronje in full retreat and Gen. Kelly-Kenny harassing his rear, hopes run high that a decisive action will occur, if it has not already been fought.

The despatches from Jacobsdal confirm this belief, saying Cronje has been obliged to "outspan," in other words form a laager or camp, in order to rest his oxen. This explains Gen. Kelly-Kenny's latest despatch referring to the shelling of the laager, which also brought the long-expected word of Kitchener's whereabouts. That the General who so relentlessly pursued the Khalifa to his doom is supervising the pursuit of Gen. Cronje adds greatly to the confidence of the nation, now so eagerly awaiting further news.

Gen. Tucker with the Seventh division, is able to effect the projected junction with the forces of Kelly-Kenny, while the Ninth division, under Gen. Colville, is rapidly coming up from the rear, so that the hero of Khartoum should have a sufficient force to decisively engage Cronje and prevent him from reaching Bloemfontein with an effective force.

Over the whole Modder River district there is such tremendous military activity that it is hard to realize the area covered or grasp the full meaning of the movement.

Gen. Macdonald has again occupied Koodoosberg. What precautions Roberts has adopted against a counter attack are not yet known, but the war office and public are thoroughly convinced that he is fully able to cope with all contingencies, and if it is within human possibilities he will inflict the defeat on Cronje that is so much more important than the relief of Kimberley, brilliant as was the latter achievement.

While Gen. Kelly-Kenny's, or rather Kitchener's, despatch referred to the Boer rear guard as being Cronje's, it is still doubtful if the General is personally with it, and possibly he may be employing more than one line of retreat.

Despatches from Capetown announce that enthusiastic demonstrations followed the announcement of the relief of Kimberley. Government House was surrounded by huge crowds, and the British high commissioner and governor of Cape Colony, Sir Alfred Milner, received an ovation.

The house which Lord Roberts occupied on his arrival at Capetown was similarly feted. There were parades through the city, cheering for "Bobs," flags flying, and hostile demonstrations were made outside newspaper offices sympathetic to the Boers, and before the ministers supposed to be in sympathy with the burghers.

The relief was similarly celebrated in other towns of Cape Colony.

Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Nerve Pills, which are made expressly for sleepless, nervous, dyspeptic sufferers. Price 25 cents.

DESTROYED A MAGAZINE.

London, Feb. 16.—A British scouting column blew up the contents of a magazine at Nkandhla, Zululand, to prevent it falling into the hands of the Boers. The magazine contained a large supply of dynamite and ammunition.

VANCOUVER NEWS NOTES.

Great Cargo of Lumber—Liberals to Hire Organizer—Labor Council Censures Board of Trade.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Feb. 17.—The steamer Guernsey left for China to-day with 3,117,756 feet of lumber, the largest lumber load on record here.

The news that Private G. B. Corbould of New Westminster had dropped out during the march on Jacobsdal has caused concern in Westminster and Vancouver, where he was well known, being a son of Police Magistrate Corbould of Westminster.

The Mansion House Fund concert at Westminster last night realized $820.

There is a rumor that the authorities of New York are to attempt to ship some Chinese lepers to China, by Vancouver. The health inspector at Huntingdon has been cautioned to refuse the admittance of lepers to the province.

The Liberals of Burrard met last night and decided to engage a paid organizer to devote his entire time to getting the party in shape for emergencies.

A lengthy meeting of the trades and labor council took place last night at which the board of trade was censured for petitioning the government to amend the eight-hour law.

T. Giffin, in charge of a carload of Calgary cattle, had his leg cut off while attempting to board a train at New Westminster Junction this morning.

JOY AT KIMBERLEY'S RELIEF.

Toronto's Mayor Congratulates Lansdowne—Volunteers for Africa Hear News at Montreal.

Montreal, Feb. 16.—"Kimberley is relieved" were the words which greeted the Toronto detachment of the Canadian Mounted Rifles as the special train containing them pulled into Bonaventure station this morning shortly after 9 o'clock. The announcement spread like wild-fire through the cars, and a scene of indescribable enthusiasm followed. The detachment consisted of nine officers and 156 men and 162 horses. They left Toronto at 8 o'clock last night, and at 6 o'clock this morning arrived at Cornwall, where they had breakfast. At St. Henri the horse cars were detached from the special and taken to St. Kyd's stock yards at Point St. Charles. The passenger coaches were subsequently brought into Bonaventure station, where the men were transferred to Intercolonial cars, in which they proceeded on the way to Halifax.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—The news of the relief of Kimberley was received here with the greatest enthusiasm. Flags were hoisted on all public buildings and on many private ones in the business quarters. Mayor McDonald, on behalf of the citizens, sent a cablegram of congratulations to Lord Lansdowne, imperial secretary of state for war.

BLIZZARD AT NEW YORK.

Shipping Menaced by the Blinding Storm and Few Vessels Attempting to Move.

New York, Feb. 17.—A wind out of the northwest blowing from 25 to 26 miles an hour to-day whirled the snow about in thick blinding clouds. About ten inches had fallen by midnight and it was still snowing fiercely. Great was the menace to shipping because of the blinding storm and the inshore winds. The last ship to arrive in port to-day was the Campana, which passed Quarantine at 9.30 a.m. The American liner St. Louis was due this morning, but she was not reported up to midnight. La Touraine is due to-morrow, but it is not expected she will reach port on time. The last ship out was the Etruria, which left here this morning.

Philadelphia, Feb. 17.—The heaviest snow storm since the blizzard of last year, and the first genuine fall of the season, has been in progress in the state since last night. At 10 o'clock to-night 10 inches of snow had fallen. The storm was very fierce at the Delaware breakwater. The wind blew 35 miles an hour. No vessels ventured outside the breakwater. Throughout the state the snowfall varied from 2 to 10½ inches. At a late hour to-night the storm appeared spent and the barometer began to fall, indicating a cessation by early morning.

DAVITT GOES TO AFRICA.

Wants to See for Himself the State of Affairs There—No Politics in His Move.

London, Feb. 17.—Mr. Michael Davit, who resigned his seat in the house as a protest against Great Britain's policy towards the Transvaal, will start for South Africa next week. In an interview today with a representative of the Associated Press, he said: "My resolve to go to South Africa has absolutely no political significance. I go there for change of climate, and I am going where everybody's thoughts are centred to see and learn what everyone wants to know about the struggle which has been going on since October.

No matter how the struggle ends, it will raise the biggest international problems of this century in Europe.

HOW THE BOERS TELL IT.

True the British Relieved Kimberley, but the Burghers Captured Some Oxen.

Pretoria, Feb. 16.—(1 p. m.)—It appears from further reports of yesterday's fighting at Jacobsdal that 2,000 British troops got through the Federal position at Modder River and relieved Kimberley. The Federals intercepted the rear guard of the British and captured great booty, many oxen and a number of prisoners.

ASKS PRAYERS FOR PEACE.

Archbishop Bruchesi on the Sad Consequences of Present War.

Montreal, Feb. 16.—Archbishop Bruchesi is preparing a letter asking all cures in his diocese to pray and have prayers said for the re-establishment of peace in the British Empire. His Grace will draw attention to his remarks on the South African war at New Year's, and will express profound regret at the loss of life which has thrown into mourning thousands of English families.

FATAL EXPLOSION.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 16.—Two men were instantly killed and three frightfully injured by the explosion of a locomotive boiler in the Santa Fe roundhouse this afternoon.

MANY A LOVER.

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The Nicaragua Waterway

Estimated That United States Could Construct It Within Eight Years.

One Hundred and Fifty Million Possible Cost for Thirty Feet Depth.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Chairman Hepburn of the house of committee on interstate, state and foreign commerce, to-day submitted the report of the committee in favor of the Hepburn bill for constructing the Nicaragua canal. The report says in part:

"If the provisions of the bill can be carried out, the United States will within a few years (from six to eight) be in full ownership and control of a waterway connecting the oceans that it can defend and that it can use in the interests of its navy and its merchant marine as wisdom may dictate."

After reviewing the several surveys the report continues:

"It is true that estimates of cost are variable, ranging as they do from less than $40,000,000 to a possible $145,000,000. It is, however, proper to say that the size and character of the canal estimated for is as variable as is the cost. The earliest estimates were for a canal suited to the ships of the time. The latter estimates are for ships of this time. Fifteen feet depth and fifty feet width was the size of the earlier project. Thirty feet depth and 150 feet width are the dimensions of the latterly proposed canal.

"Your committee are aware that there are a number of persons who claim to have concession from the government of Nicaragua and Costa Rica, investing them with rights to navigate the San Juan river and lake Nicaragua. But it is before your committee that these rights have either lapsed or are of inconsiderable value or have been obtained for speculative purposes.

"It is our opinion that the people of the United States want a government canal, one that will be completely under the control of the United States. It is true that it will disturb the conditions of equality that now exist, but every effort that a successful merchant makes is an effort to disturb this equality and to secure an advantage for himself. Our government would have precisely the same right to take offence at the use of the Suez canal by British merchants as would the English government at our using the Nicaragua canal.

"There are persons who say that we are bound by treaty stipulations with the government of Great Britain to refrain from carrying out these great enterprises. It is doubtless true that in 1850 Great Britain and the United States contemplated the speedy completion of the Nicaragua canal. They proposed to have joint interests, by joint contributions to it. But the Suez canal that followed years after 1850 changed the interests of Great Britain and she no longer desired the Nicaragua route for her own uses."

WESTMINSTER'S ESTATE.

Declared at But Half a Million Pounds Exclusive of Entailed Property.

London, Feb. 16.—The last will and testament of the late Duke of Westminster was filed to-day. It shows a gross estate valued at £594,229, not including, of course, the enormous entailed landed property. The widow will get the residue estate after the various bequests. The testator left to the National Gallery Hogarth's celebrated painting, "The Gate of Calais."

The Daily Chronicle, commenting on the will says: "If the death duties had never been imposed, would the Duke of Westminster's estate have been declared at the absurd figure of half a million sterling? Unless the public are entirely astray in their calculations, that sum more nearly represents a single year's income. We should imagine that the total estates approximated to £1,400,000, at which they were once valued."

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HAMBURG LINER AGROUND.

Blinding Snowstorm the Cause—Expected to Float at High Tide.

New York, Feb. 17.—It is reported that the Hamburg-American line steamer Graf Waldersee is aground in the bay near Buoy No. 7. The Graf Waldersee sailed to-day from this port for Hamburg by way of Plymouth. The Hamburg-American Company, as soon as the news of the grounding reached them, sent a tug to the scene. The officials of the company express the opinion that the grounding of the Graf Waldersee was due to the blinding snowstorm prevailing, and they expect that as the tide was rising when she grounded, the steamer will be floated at high water this evening, or at about 8 o'clock.

Three Star Martell can be obtained from all dealers.

WARREN FOR PARLIAMENT.

London, Feb. 17.—The parliamentary bye-election yesterday in the Newark division of Nottinghamshire to replace Charles William Sydney, Viscount Newark (Conservative), who had succeeded to the peerage, resulted as follows: Sir Charles Warren, Unionist, 5,162; Henry Stanger, Liberal, 2,871. At the last election Viscount Newark was unopposed.

HONORS FOR KIMBERLEY.

London, Feb. 17.—The Queen has promoted Gen. French to be Major-General. French, heretofore had only ranked as a Colonel in the army, with the local rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. Lieut.-Colonel Kekewich has been promoted to Colonel for services in the defence of Kimberley.

NO BOERS ABOUT.

Arundel, Friday, Feb. 16.—All quiet today. No Boers about. The British outposts are guarding the railway. Reinforcements have arrived.

Martell's Three Star Brandy is the favorite.

A PATHETIC APPEAL.

Father of Condemned Prisoner Protests Son's Innocence and Asks Public to Respect His Grief.

New York, Feb. 16.—A statement issued by Gen. Molineux, father of the man condemned to die in the electric chair, is in part as follows:

"I am rich in the firm belief in the justice of Almighty God, in the devoted love and comfort of a noble wife, my sons and their wives, all united and certain in the innocence of Roland Burnham Molineux, and certain that it will be so found in time. I need for myself no other assistance and no other comfort or support, but for my household I do need and I do appeal for the support of the prayers of all those of every denomination, every faith, who like myself feel that my son is innocent and the victim of unjust persecution. I appeal, moreover, to every man who is a man to respect the sanctity of the grief of my afflicted wife and my sorely afflicted daughter, my daughter in affection and my daughter in law by her marriage to my son, Blanche Chesebro Molineux.

"As for my sons, I trust they are brave men, with the strength to live and die bravely. I have seen my son Roland asleep as a child by his mother's side. I have seen him asleep in his cell after the verdict condemning him to death had been pronounced. Who is better able than I, his father, to judge whether that sleep was the natural sleep of innocence? And I have heard his first words of awakening at the call of his father, as by reveille, from the sleep after the verdict: 'How is Blanche?' 'How is mother?'"

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ROSSLAND NOT DISCOURAGED.

Considerable Force Still in the Mines With Prospect of Better Times Than Ever.

Rossland, Feb. 17.—While ore shipments have fallen away to 750 tons for the past week, the geenral mining situation in the camp has decidedly improved. Over 400 men will find steady employment in the Le Roi, War Eagle and Centre Star mines until the present difficulty with machinery is over, when the staff employed will be larger than ever. The machinery for the War Eagle and Centre Star is already arriving, but that for the Le Roi will be delayed for at least three weeks longer. In mining circles it is felt there will be no further reduction of the forces of men employed in the camp's mines, and that the situation from this on will continue to improve until shipping will be commenced once more.

The settlement in the Slocan of the labor troubles which have existed there since June last and which were ended on Thursday, has helped to steady matters here, and the outlook already has brightened up.

Appended is a detailed statement of ore shipments from Rossland camp (approximately) for the week ending February 17: War Eagle, 366 tons; Centre Star, 215.3; Iron Mask, 91.5; Evening Star, 30; I. X. L., 50. Total for the week, 751 tons; for the year, 31,627.5 tons.

There is no one article in the line of medicines that gives so large a return for the money as a good porous strengthening plaster, such as Carter's Smart Weed and Belladonna Backache Plasters.

HIGH PRICED POLITICS.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Senator Clarke of Montana was on the witness stand before the senate committee on elections for about four hours to-day, and when the committee adjourned for the day only his examination in chief had been completed, leaving his cross-examination for next Monday. He admitted having paid out an aggregate of about $115,000 during the campaign, but said this expenditure was for the legitimate purposes only.

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BORN.

MARWICK—At 18 Niagara street, on the 17th inst., to the wife of R. Marwick, a daughter.

MARRITD.

SCOTT—BROWN—On Wednesday, February 14, at St. Peter's church, Revelstoke, B.C., by the Rev. Dr. Paget, J. M. Scott, B.A., LL.B., barrister-at-law, son of the late Judge Scott, of Brampton, Ont., to Marguerite Estelle Marie, step-daughter of H. A. Brown, Esq., all of Revelstoke, B.C.

DIED.

GIBSON—At the family residence, 101 Cormorant street, on the 17th instant, James Gibson, a native of the Orkney Islands; aged 65 years.

The funeral will take place on Monday, February 19, at 2:30 p.m., from the residence as above.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

McDOWELL—At the family residence, 122 Chatham street, on the 15th instant, John B. McDowell, a native of Dublin Ireland; aged 77½ years.

The funeral will take place TO-DAY (Sunday) at 2 o'clock from the residence as above, and 2:30 p.m. at Christ Church cathedral.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as Coal and Wood Dealers, in the City of Victoria, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to James Baker, at Victoria aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said James Baker, by whom the same will be settled.

Dated at Victoria, this 17th day of February, A.D. 1900.

WM. COLSTON.
JAMES BAKER.

Witness: E. E. Wootton.

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YOUNG LADY desires position as typewriter and stenographer. Apply "H.," this office. f15

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MISCELLANEOUS.

MRS. J. D. SINCLAIR (Nurse) has removed from 7 Amelia to 131 Fort street, where she will receive maternity and non-infectious cases at her residence. Seattle and San Francisco papers please copy. f18

THE FRIENDS IN ENGLAND of George and John Peach (or Davis) would be glad if they would communicate with them or "H. M.," care of this office. f18

A GRAND VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL Concert will be given in the Temperance Hall, Pandora avenue, under the auspices of the Y.P.S.C.E. of the First Congregational church, Monday evening, February 26; Lt.-Col. Gregory in the chair. Admission 25 cents. f18

MISS TELFOR will hold her weekly social dance next Tuesday evening, February 20, at Alcazar Hall, Broad and Pandora streets. Lessons given every Monday evening, and private to suit pupils. f18

RAYMOND—Medium. Positively last week. Grand circle to-night; spirit manifestations. 90 Douglas street. f17

AN APRON AND NECKTIE DANCE will be held in Strawberryvale Hall, on Wednesday, February 21. Gents 50c., ladies free. f14

SHORTHAND SCHOOL—15 Broad street. Individual instruction in shorthand, typewriting, book-keeping. ja25

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FOR SALE—One tug boat, also small power marine engines and boilers; 1 stationary gasoline engine. Particulars apply Post Office Box 143. f18

EGGS—From imported pure bred Plymouth Rock stock (M. S. Gardner and Sid Conyor strain). M. S. Gardner won last week in Madison Square Garden, New York City, in a class of 225 Barred Rocks, 1st cock, 1st cockerel, 2nd and 4th pullets, 1st and 3rd pens, and the Grand Fisher Island Trophy, valued at $100, for best cock, cockerel, hen, pullet and pen. Apply to Frank LeRoy, 61 Herald St. f18

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TO LET—Furnished 4-roomed cottage. Apply 39 Princess avenue. f18

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TO RENT—A farm with good, hard-finished cottage of 6 rooms, outside buildings and small orchard. Convenient to school, steamboat landing and railroad. Rent moderate. Address 51 Vancouver street, city. ja26

FURNISHED HOUSE—Seven rooms; Esquimalt Road. Apply Mr. Hunt, Hunt's Cottages. ja11

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LOST—Gold pencil case, on Friday evening, near the outer wharf, or on Government street. Finder will be liberally rewarded by returning to Bradstreets' office, Board of Trade Building. f11

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List of Properties by B. C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY.

KINGSTON ST. Two-storey dwelling and lot 60x120, James Bay, for $1900. $300 cash, balance at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

CHATHAM ST. Cottage and double front lot, $1000. $100 cash and balance on time. This is cheaper than paying rent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

PARRY ST. James Bay. Four two-story dwellings, always let, producing $25 per month. Open to offer. Apply 40 Government St. n11

DALLAS ROAD AND MONTREAL ST. Bungalow and small two-storey house in rear, $2500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

FORT ST. Two-story dwelling, lot 60x120, well situated, $2500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

COOK ST. AND KINGS ROAD. Lots $250 to $400, small monthly payments, no interest. Fine chance to procure a home. Apply 40 Government St. n11

M'CLURE STREET. 5-roomed cottage and lot 72x120 for $1600. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

COLLINSON ST. Running through to Beechy st., ½ lot. 5-roomed cottage $900. $200 cash, balance on time. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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DENMAN ISLAND—160 acres containing evidence of coal. $750; terms, apply 40 Government street. n22

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BROAD AND PANDORA STS. Lot 60x120 open to offer on easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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GOVERNMENT AND JOHN STREETS—Two lots; fine 2-storey dwelling; large new barn; cheap at $2,750; easy terms. Apply 40 Government street. n28

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GORGE ROAD. Four acres and two-story dwelling with all modern conveniences. Fine view. Very suitable home. $12500. Terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

JOHNSON STREET. Below Government. three-storey brick with basement, lot 60x120, easy terms. Price $40,000. All let. Apply 40 Government St.

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NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the said Estate are required to send in particulars of their claims or demands to the undersigned, on or before the 28th day of February next.

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Starvation Counts Victims by Hundred Thousand and Disease Adds to Misery.

It is reported from British East Africa that half a million people have died of starvation within a few months. The whole world is touched by the fate of the death of a few soldiers in the Transvaal. What ought one to feel over the death of a population more than twice as large as the whole number of people in Montreal? A half million more of emaciated, helpless men, women and children reach their hands out and cry for help. Help must and will be afforded them. A little something is being done through available agencies, but the herculean task calls for many helpers. In the name of God, and of humanity, and of the love of the Christ, the response should be quick and large.

Major Souter, in command of the Queen's soldiers in Ukamba, is his report stated:

That 50 per cent. of Ukambi's 1,000,000 population have died of starvation; and that the proportion of such deaths in Mombasa province is sixty per cent. Between Voi and Kikuyu, a distance of two hundred miles, 50,000 people have starved to death. To add to the horror of the situation, the smallpox has been gaining headway in Mambasa.

W. C. Bangert, one of the missionaries, writes:

The famine has been doing its awful work so long, and to such an extent, that the natives seem to think nothing of ten or a dozen bodies lying about in their shambas (gardens). I sometimes fear that I am getting hardened to the awfulness of all this, and paths are literally strewn with the dead, and scores are dying daily. I have heard of famine, and read of famine, but never had the remotest dream of its awfulness till now. I write this while listening to the cry of starving children without the door. . . . The natives, with few exceptions, are existing entirely on a little root berry, about the size of a pea, which they dig out of the ground. Where these are to be found you will daily see hundreds of pitiable specimens of humanity—skeletons of men, women and children, their mouths besmeared with dirt—squatting about, digging out these roots and eating them as soon as found; thus they manage to keep body and soul together for a time, but eventually they give up the struggle and die. You notice them getting thinner and thinner, gradually miss them entirely, and say to yourself: "Another soul has gone out to eternity." My heart has been wrenched time and again by having to turn this one and that one away, and then learning of their bodies lying not far off, they having hovered about in the hope of yet being fed. The Rev. F. W. Krieger, superintendent of the Christian Unity Evangelical and Industrial Mission in British East Africa, is impressing into service every possible measure of relief. The officials of the government railway are granting special reductions in transportation, and dealers on the coast are making wholesale rates for food. In Momb.sa, Mr. Palmer, superintendent of inland revenue and conservancy, has saved many lives by his energy and devotion. After his business duties were performed, he would canvass the streets for grain, money, medicine and bandages.

Mrs. Knapp, another missionary, writes from Nairobi: "A number of children have been here this morning, and I have nothing to give them. Besides, they are stealing everything in the garden. Our peas and beans are all gone, even such as we were trying to raise for seed. They have cut all our bananas out of our large orchard—we have not even one left. But we cannot blame these poor people, considering that they are heathen and starving to death. It is not pleasant to be in a tent among a people mad with hunger. This morning the place swarmed with natives."

The famine is caused by the extraordinary drought, continued over two seasons.

Mrs. Knapp, under date of November 19, writes:

At present we are in trying circumstances. Famine and smallpox are doing their worst. The smallpox has been here since July. For a time the disease seemed to have abated, and the quarantine was off at Nairobi and Kikuyu, but there have been occasional cases. The famished condition of the people has driven them to Nairobi. I am informed there are three hundred cases in the hospital there at present.

A woman came here about two weeks ago with confluent smallpox of the worst type. The pustules had filled and run together. In that condition she had come from Nairobi. Instead of going to the hospital, she came to see her brother, who works for us. Mr. Krieger sent her to an empty hut on one corner of the place, and sent her food and water. She only lived a few days. After she died, he sent a man with a torch to set fire to the grass roof, burning the hut and cremating her. We found that after she became so weak that she could not defend herself, some natives went in and stole the food. We do not know who they were, but some famished, starving persons, no doubt. If they live long enough they will of course have the smallpox.

In that corner there were a number of huts, and people living in them, but since we came they have moved. Mabamki, our head man, tells us the huts are inhabited by starved people, while the woods are full of dead bodies. In the opposite corner there are dead people. Mabamki said there were about a dozen in the company, evidently going from up the country to Nairobi, but they were so weak some of them could go no further.

In the corner of the forest, near the river, there is (or was) a man down with smallpox. He had made a hut of branches. He is probably dead by this time. On the plain at our rear, the Nassai have the smal plain at our rear, the Nassai have the smallpox. We do not go out away from the house more than we are obliged to. The men do not go to hunt; for one never knows when he may run into a dead body covered with smallpox, which would be more dangerous than a living person. I must say this condition of things is unpleasant in the extreme.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Knapp asked me to go to the garden to see the new measures for irrigation. Then we started to go over into the banana orchard. We were about half way through it, when close by the river, we came across two dead bodies that had to all appearances died the night before. We turned as quickly as possible and came back. I have heard missionaries tell of suc hexperiences, but I do not see how the condition can be better for months. The rains, which began well but did not continue, are evidently failing us again this season.

The man who watches the garden for us said a few nights ago he heard a child crying in the banana orchrd. He went over there, but all was quiet. Finally, after he came near the river he heard a splash. Going up with his fire-stick, he saw a child trying to crawl out on the opposite side. It had seen him coming and tried to run, falling into the river in the dark. He helped it out and came back. A day or two later he saw it dead. It was the last of a company of six or seven that have been around here for a time.

This kind of work is such a trial when we cannot help them. To have people starve to death on our premises is hard, indeed, yet it is all we can do to feed what we have. Yesterday (Lord's Day) how I longed to be among the people of God at home, to tell them of the straitness, and see if there was not something somewhere, for these poor people.

Mr. Knapp is digging up the potatoes planted about a month ago, which because of the drought were not coming up. He is plantiing them over in the irrigated ground. There are ditches dug from the canal to the rivin, giving a large piece of the ground well watered. Our difficulty is that we from the box. Then, for fear we might not get seeds from home in time, we ordered some from Scotland as much as three months ago, and we have heard nothing from there. The people at Nairobi are asking us for vegetables, but we have none. We have the ground ready, but no seed. This is extremely trying. It seems as if all the powers of darkness were against us. But "I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord."

We realize nothing but tomatoes and cabbages from the garden now, as the natives steal everything long before it is fit to eat—squashes, beans, peas, bananas. They do not like cabbage, tomatoes, or onions, but nothing else escapes them. A few days ago they stole out of the storehouse all the potatoes we had saved to eat. Fortunately, we have a few little ones that we had picket out, and these may tide us over until more grow.

Twice within a few days they have taken all the rice in the night, so the men had to wait for their rations until we could send to Nairobi for food. Mabamki ties a his leg. He was awakened a few nights rope midway about the bag, then ties it to ago by a pressure on his leg. Opening his eyes he saw the head and shoulders of a men in the tent, but he ran immediately. Poor Mabamki could not catch him, as he had to first disengage himself. The last time, they cut the rope and took the rice, and he knew nothing about it until he awoke and found it gone. You see how bold they have become. They are schooled in the art of pilfering from their earliest infancy, and just now the pangs of hunger drive them to almost any desperate length.

Mr. Bangert writes us that two-thirds of the people around Kungundu have died in this famine. Some of the natives about here are crying because, when the rains first came, they put in all the seeds they had, which straightway came up; then came two weeks of hot weather without a drop of rain, and because their plants had no depth of earth they were all burned up. I pray this may not go on longer. It is hard indeed to see these starving people. We have dismissed some of our coast people, and taken natives in their place, and it has been a delight to see the gaunt, starved fellows grow sleek and strong again.

One young man who had been working for us had his little sister with him. Two weeks ago the foolish fellow got tired of work and ran away, taking the little girl with him. They went to Nairobi and nearly starved. From here he went down towards the coast, leaving his little sister. Last night she appeared, having walked from Nairobi alone. She was very poor, and her eyes looked glassy. She was looking when she went away. We asked her what they ate while they were away, and she said they boiled water and drank that. Mabamki has been cremating the corpses down by the river this morning.

Continue to pray for us that the ninety-first Psalm may be our experience. Still, come life or death, it is well. I feel we shall be kept for His service, not because we are more worthy than others, but I know He is deeply interested in the salvation of these people. Much love o you all.

M. I. KNAPP.

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Ills. Cen.	114
L. & N.	81
Man.	98
Mo. Pac.	46
N. Y. C. & H.	134
N. Y. O. & W.	23½
N. P. com.	53
N. P. pfd.	74¼
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T. C. & I.	98¼
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Anaconda Copper	44¾
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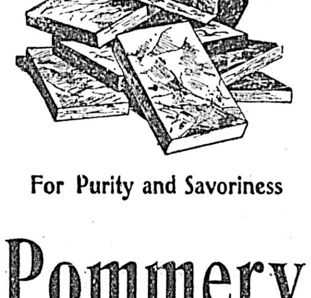

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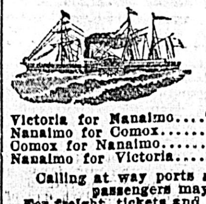

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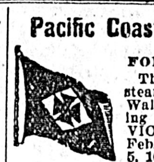

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THE WAR.

Gordon B. Corbould, who is represented as missing from the British Columbia company in South Africa, is son of Gordon E. Corbould, barrister-at-law and police magistrate of New Westminster, and was a student-at-law before volunteering for service at the front. We hope yet to hear of the safety of the gallant young fellow.

The operations, which have resulted in the relief of Kimberley and the retreat of Cronje's army, will be recognized as brilliant in plan and admirable in execution. Our despatches give a succinct account of the movement, and nothing need be added here, except to say that what appears to be the complete demoralization of the Western Boer army must be fruitful of important results.

Kimberley was invested by the Boers on Saturday, October 14, just four days after Kruger issued his ultimatum. It was relieved on Thursday, February 15. Thus the period of investment was 124 days. On October 17 the armored train drove back the enemy for some distance, and a similar success was scored on the 21st. On October 24 Col. Scott-Turner defeated the enemy near the town. On November 28 Col. Scott-Turner led a successful sortie from Kimberley, driving back the enemy, who were getting uncomfortably near, but paid the forfeit of his own life for his courage. From that time until the relieving column arrived, the besieged garrison was able only to hold its own. Early in November Gen. Lord Methuen began his advance on Kimberley. On the 23rd of that month he drove the enemy out of Belmont. Two days later he defeated them at Graspan, and on the following day captured Honingrest Kloof. On November 28 the battle of Modder River was fought, when Methuen was wounded. There was no important movement on either side until December 12, when Methuen attempted to deliver a frontal blow on the Boer entrenchments at Magersfontein, and the Highlanders were surprised with heavy loss, Gen. Wauchope being among the slain. Then followed a long rest, with several successful reconnaissances. On February 9 Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener arrived on the scene and the flanking movement began.

TIME FOR A CHANGE.

"The government will be defeated next week, and after that the deluge," remarked a prominent member of the opposition yesterday, and when he was asked if he did not think a nice little political deluge would be a good thing just now for British Columbia, he assented most heartily. It is time for a change, or if you prefer the witty Frenchman's expression, for "la deluge." Old things in our politics are passing away. The next British Columbia cabinet, no matter of whom it is composed, will stand free from all the petty issues that have vexed the people during the last few years. The deluge will sweep these away, and the province will rise above it all strengthened and freshened.

We desire once more, on the eve of a political crisis, the result of which no man can foresee, to place on record our high appreciation of the effort made by Mr. Turner and his colleagues when in office to deal with the great problem of provincial development. Whether in the changes that are bound to occur any member of the late cabinet will be numbered among the Lieutenant-Governor's advisers, we have no means of knowing; but we do know that we can say for each and every one of them, and for every man who votes with them in the house, that they are striving to bring about a change of administration not in the hope of taking office, but with a sincere and patriotic desire to secure for British Columbia a better policy and a better system of administration than have prevailed during the last year and a half. There is not a man on the left of the Speaker who is open to the charge of being an office-seeker in his antagonism to Mr. Semlin and his colleagues, for not one of them pretends to know what will be the result of the forthcoming deluge, or is seeking to promote his own interests in connection therewith. We have referred to the policy of provincial development pursued by the late government solely for the purpose of saying that the next provincial cabinet, no matter of whom it is composed, must follow along the same lines, although we do not say that it will necessarily be tied down to the same details. But as that government aimed first of all at the inauguration of such policies as would have a tendency to open the province to settlement, to capital, to business enterprise and to the profitable employment of labor, so the successors to the present cabinet must take the same course, or they will be weighed in the balance and found wanting on the first opportunity afforded the electors for applying the test.

It is time for a change. It is time to have done with temporizing, with scheming for a particular vote, with the arts of the political trickster—time for the adoption of policies because they are right, not because they suit some particular individual or are favored by some particular set of demagogues. It is time for a government with sufficient courage to deal with the very serious questions which the Semlin government persists in ignoring. It is time for a government that can see further than next salary day, that will be more concerned with what the province requires than with how they can keep control of power. The whole people must earnestly desire a change. You cannot find a man outside of the house who will not frankly admit that the Semlin has outlived any usefulness that was ever claimed for it. There is not a paper in the province, except that controlled by the Finance Minister, which seeks to defend it. There is not a man on the street who has a good word for it. The old saying, "Hit him again, he's got no friends," applies to this government as well as if it were made for it in the first place. A province, which like ours is inviting immigration, the investment of capital and the attention of men of enterprise and energy, needs a strong and progressive government. It has the reverse at present. Therefore, we repeat, it is time for a change.

RAIL TO THE NORTH

The Times in a very excellent article last evening dealt with the resources of Vancouver island and emphasized the necessity for the people of this city to make the best of what they have close at hand instead of looking to more distant fields. There is no doubt that the city papers fully voice public sentiment in regard to the development of this island by a trunk line of railway, and that their efforts to secure a strong expression of opinion on the subject will be crowned with success.

The point in this connection upon which we wish to lay special stress this morning is that the effort must not be confined to this city. It has originated here, but it must be energetically pushed elsewhere. This is a distinctly popular movement. It is being engineered on behalf of no individual or set of individuals, for its success. Doubtless the committee appointed by His Worship the Mayor will, as soon as they get the work in Victoria well advanced, turn their attention in other directions and make an effort, which we feel confident will be successful, to secure the co-operation of other localities.

We hope the city council will on Monday night give the movement its cordial endorsation. The campaign that has been so auspiciously begun must not be allowed to flag. If we show ourselves in earnest we can command success. While no new arguments and no repetition of old ones are needed to persuade the people of Victoria that it is to their interest that this road shall be built, it is eminently desirable that articles such as that appearing in the Times should be published, and that persons, able to speak from personal observation as to the resources of the island, should contribute from their stock of information to the press.

DR. McKECHNIE'S POSITION.

On page 100 of the Public Accounts submitted to the legislature at its opening, and under the head of "Travelling Expenses of Officers on Duty," there is the following item:

"R. E. McKechnie, P. of C., $204.67."

Dr. McKechnie is President of the Executive Council and this sum is to defray his travelling expenses in that capacity. We say frankly at the outset that the President of the Executive Council ought to be paid his travelling expenses. This, however, is quite beside the question which we desire to raise. The Constitution Act prescribes that a member of the legislature shall receive an indemnity of $600 for each session and a certain sum as mileage in travelling from his home to attend the session, and it is distinctly stated that he shall receive no more than this. There is an exception in the case of ministers, who have gone before the people for re-election after receiving a portfolio. They may receive salaries and a certain allowance for travelling expenses. We see nothing in the Constitution Act, nor in the amending act passed last year which authorizes the President of the Council to draw any remuneration, and certainly no provision for his travelling expenses. The act of last session, after enumerating the officers of which the Executive Council shall consist, one of them being the President of the Council, says that only four of them shall receive a salary, but this provision will not meet Dr. McKechnie's case.

If the law is as it appears to be, Dr. McKechnie forfeited his seat in the legislature by receiving his travelling expenses, and as these must have been in part at least for travelling done previous to the last session of the legislature, that is under the Constitution Act as it stood prior to its amendment, there seems to be no way of escaping the proposition that he had no right to occupy a seat in the house either last session or this. If the fact that the Minister of Mines received 50 cents for a meal given without his knowledge to a provincial constable, or that Mr. Tisdale's clerk sold a small packet of cartridges to a constable, or Mr. Hall's clerk sold a ton of coal to the Lieutenant-Governor rendered their seats forfeited, surely the acceptance by Dr. McKechnie personally of $204.67 as travelling expenses, without warrant of law, must also work a forfeiture of the seat in his case. No President of the Council prior to Dr. McKechnie accepted travelling expenses, it being understood that he could not legally do so. We again say that it is not the propriety of the President of the Council receiving his travelling expenses that we question. It is his legal right to do so and retain his seat in the house. Any gentleman may become President of the Council without having a seat in the house for all that appears in the Constitution Act. So in strict law, although certainly not in accordance with the principle of Responsible Government, there is nothing to prevent Dr. McKechnie from becoming President of the Council and drawing mileage; but the moment he accepts the mileage or any allowance for his expenses, his seat becomes vacant, and he not only occupies it thereafter without warrant, but is liable to a heavy penalty. This is a matter which ought to be at once inquired into, for it must be evident to any one that if this payment is legal the government can place two members in the Executive Council without salary, and by allowing them liberally for their travelling expenses provide them with what might be regarded as an agreeable addition to their income. We submit that this matter ought to be brought up in the house as soon as it reassembles on Monday, so that it may be settled at once by what right Dr. McKechnie draws travelling expenses and yet retains his seat in the house, and in event of its being shown that he has the right to do so, the house and the country may be informed what are the powers of the government in the matter of allowing such expenses.

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S OFFER.

On the first day of the session Mr. Semlin moved that British Columbia should furnish a mounted contingent of one hundred men for service in South Africa. This was seconded by Mr. Turner and was carried unanimously. The offer was forwarded to Ottawa and from thence to the War Office. Since then it has been next to impossible to extract from Mr. Semlin any information respecting it. The Premier has talked about it after a very earnest request from Mr. Turner for some information, but he left the house as much in the dark as ever. An impression has been allowed to get abroad that the nature of the offer precluded its acceptance by the War Office, and that a larger contingent should have been proposed. There is also a rumor that the province would be expected to defray the expenses of the contingent to South Africa. There has certainly been some talk both in and out of the house about the expense being more than the house ought to bear. In some quarters there is a disposition to throw the blame for the non-acceptance of the offer upon the Dominion government. Until Col. Prior receives the papers on this subject which he has asked for, it is impossible to say anything on the latter point without danger of falling into error; but there are some questions which may very properly be asked of the provincial government. One of them is: Why was the offer made in the first place? It is well known that a prominent member of the opposition caused it to be known on the morning of the day on which the house opened that he would ask leave to move a resolution offering a contingent from British Columbia, and the inaction of the government after making the offer suggests that they only moved in the matter to prevent some one from getting ahead of them. Did the government make any estimate whatever as to the cost of the proposed contingent, or were they simply going it blind when they introduced the resolution? We have reason to believe that they made no such estimate, and that neither before introducing the resolution nor since have they taken even the simplest initial step towards making good the offer, if it had been accepted. Was the resolution simply introduced on the first day of the session for the purpose of giving the house something to talk about until Mr. Wells could arrive and save the government from defeat? The fact that a usually taciturn member was inspired to an unusually lengthy flight of oratory, and that the Premier expressed the hope that every member of the house would speak to the resolution, suggests that it was not loyalty but a desire to save their political bacon that inspired the government.

The offer of a hundred men by the legislature of this province was made, we believe, by a majority of the members in perfect good faith, and it was received in perfect good faith by the country. It has not been acted upon by the government in good faith. The government showed no desire to have the offer accepted. They seemed to think that they had scored a point by making it, and to be astute to avoid doing anything that would tend to secure an acceptance of it. When the Mayor of Victoria interviewed the Premier on behalf of the citizens' committee with a proposal to supplement the offer, he met with the chilliest reception possible. In his place in the house Mr. Semlin threw doubt upon the bona fides of this offer, and upon that of any other offers to supplement what the province was prepared to do. We are not going to argue that under existing circumstances there is any necessity for the province to go to a large expense in sending a contingent to South Africa; but what we do say is that through the very extraordinary course which the government appears to have followed in this matter, British Columbia is placed in the position of having made an exceptional offer to the Home government and then of having backed out because it would cost more than we thought it would. If this does an injustice to the provincial government, we have only to say that no other inference is possible from the manner in which they have handled the subject.

At a patriotic concert given at Saanichton the sum of $483.40 was realized for the Mansion House Fund. The expenses were $86, leaving the handsome amount of $447.40 to be sent forward. Compared with this, all the cities in British Columbia must be content to take a very small place indeed.

Mr. W. H. Bone directs attention to the omission of the city council to exact from the promoters of the Victoria-Chilliwack by-law a deposit to cover expenses, as was done in the case of the Port Angeles ferry by-law. The precedent established by Mayor Redfern and the last council in the Port Angeles case met with general approval, and ought not to be departed from. When private individuals want the city to vote on a by-law, they should be prepared to put up the expenses.

A report is in circulation, which is funny enough to be true. It is that when the house meets on Monday, Mr. Semlin will propose to the opposition that they shall consent to the passage of the redistribution bill and the granting of supply, the government on its part undertaking to dissolve the house and appeal to the country immediately after supply is granted. "Come, birdie, come and let me put some salt on your tail and see if I can catch you," said the little boy in the story.

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Time.	Height above zero	Time.	Height above zero
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Granted Leave.—Second Lieut. Grahame of the Fifth Regiment, having applied for two weeks leave of absence, Second Lieut. Patton has temporarily assumed command of No. 4 Company.

Annual Meeting.—The Victoria branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society will hold their annual meeting in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on the second Thursday in March.

"The Messiah."—The practices for this work being now of such a satisfactory nature, it has been decided to hold both the orchestra and chorus rehearsals together for the future, on Thursday at 8 p.m.

Going Home.—The crew of H.M.S. Egeria will leave for England on Sunday next, a new crew being on the way out to relieve them. The crew of H.M.S. Amphion were paid off at Devenport on Tuesday last.

"All our fine teas require 25 minutes to infuse" was formerly the yarn on some grocers' bags. Times, teas and tastes have changed, and it is wonderful how easily and quickly a delicious cup of "HONDI" can be made. See directions on the packets. *

Pioneer's Death.—The death occurred yesterday morning at the family residence, Cormorant street, of James Gibson, who came to Victoria in 1862. The deceased was a native of the Orkney islands and was 65 years of age. The funeral will take place on Tuesday.

If Buller can cross the Tugela
And capture the wily Boer,
His name will be almost as famous
As that of the old "Jesse Moore."

Police Court Proceedings.—Before Magistrate Hall yesterday, J. E. Jones, charged with an infraction of the Fire Prevention by-law, was fined $7.50. To a charge of fighting on the streets George Wilson pleaded guilty. Tom Sabone, a Greek, his co-partner in the misdemeanor, was remanded until February 19, in order to arrange for the services of an interpreter.

Rail to the North.—At the meeting of the city council to-morrow evening Ald. Williams will move that a sum not exceeding $200 be appropriated for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses incidental to preparing a memorial to be submitted to the federal government, the provincial government and legislature, setting forth the merits of a railway to the north end of Vancouver island.

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Rehearsals.—There will be a full rehearsal of the Philharmonic Society at Waitt's hall on Tuesday night. The orchestra will meet at eight and the chorus at nine. Mr. Austin went to Nanaimo yesterday afternoon to attend the rehearsal of the Messiah.

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On all the Pullman cars Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey is to be had.

Hotel Closed.—The Occidental hotel has been closed, with the exception of the bar. The hotel has been a losing proposition for some time and a meeting of the creditors was held yesterday morning. It is not likely to remain closed for long.

Successful Dance.—The "Le Bon Temps" Club held their second dance of the season on Friday evening last in the Sir William Wallace hall, when forty couple were present. The arrangements were in charge of Miss Hood, and were in every sense efficient. A measure of credit for the success of the affair is also due to the Misses Eva Shrapnel, Elsie Shrapnel and Messrs. McKay, Hayward, Netherby and Burns.

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The Drill Hall Concert.—The usual weekly Drill hall concert drew a large attendance, there being at least 1,000 people present. The musical programme was much enjoyed, special features being Sir Arthur Sullivan's "Yeoman of the Guard" and the selection on "Rag Melodies." The extra attractions for next Saturday's concert are Mr. H. Wilfred Morse and Mr. Sebastian Carroll in vocal and instrumental duets.

Lodge Federation.—A meeting of the Lodge Federation, composed of representatives of the lodges of the city was held on Friday evening, when the following officers were elected: President, W. H. Price; vice-president, John Tagg; secretary, John Graham; treasurer, Frank Taylor. A legislative committee was also appointed, consisting of five members, and a committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws and to take steps to secure the repeal of the medical act. Monthly meetings will be held and a return made by all the lodges to the board, who will pay the medical attendants. Complaints of inattention will be referred to the board for investigation. Annual meetings will be held, to which delegates will be invited and papers read on society work. It is expected that similar boards will be organized in other parts of the province.

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Blanche Walsh's Visit.—An event of dramatic import is the appearance of Blanche Walsh and Melbourne McDowell in Sardou's great plays "Cleopatra" and "La Tosca." They will be seen at the Victoria theatre early next month. Everywhere this combination has played business has been satisfactory, and in many cases decidedly more so, for people have at times been turned away. Miss Walsh has proved herself to be America's foremost actress. She has been royally received and her work and genius have been warmly praised. The characters she enacts call for talents of the most exalted sort and would quickly fail did she not meet the weighty requirements of the Sardou roles completely, particularly in the artistic sense. Splendidly endowed by nature she looks the characters she impersonates, yet the triumphs because of her histrionic abilities and her genuine merits as an actress of the highest order.

SOLDIERS' COMFORTS.

Some Information For Those Who Have Promised Contributions.

At a soldiers' comforts' committee meeting held last Friday, when ladies of the Women's Council and others were present, it was decided to publish a few facts with regard to their work, for the benefit of those who have kindly promised contributions, if they knew exactly what was wanted and where it should be sent for packing, etc. Woollen socks, fairly thick and of medium sizes, are wanted, and grey or natural colored by preference; cholera belts, either knitted or of flannel. These, if of flannel, should be 7 inches wide when finished and should have the edges either turned down or bound—one end pointed and supplied with a strong safety pin; also grey by preference. Balaclava (or fishermen's hoods) in grey wool. Jerseys (or sweaters) grey or fawn if possible. Woollen underdrawers, in medium sizes. Men's pockethandkerchiefs. Doyleys, in white, lawn or cambric, in sizes varying from 10 inches to 6 inches. They may be square or round, but must have strong beads sewn snugly round the edge or china buttons at intervals. These are used to cover food or medicine and protect it from insects and dust. Small writing pads, about 5 inches square; envelopes; reels of strong white or grey thread, and a limited quantity of shoe laces would no doubt be appreciated, but all other things are discouraged.

Small contributions in money for the purchase of material would also be very acceptable, as there are many who will gladly give skill and time but cannot do more.

Parcels may be left with the janitor at the market hall, who will place them in safety in a room kindly lent by the mayor for the purpose, or they may be sent to any of the ladies of the committee—Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. Galletly, Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. Jas. R. Anderson, Miss Crease, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. McNaughton, Mrs. McQuade, Mrs. McMicking, Mrs. Gordon Grant and Mrs. T. J. Jones, who also will be very pleased to give any further information.

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War Operations in South Africa to Be the Subject of Several Discourses.

The Various Programmes Arranged and Their Musical Accompaniments.

War and kindred topics will be the subject of a number of special sermons in several of the city church to-day, the various services of which have been arranged as follows:

There will be services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. D. P. Knox, at the Victoria West Methodist church; song service at 6.30 p.m.; Sunday school at 2.30

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Rev. Dr. Campbell, the pastor, will officiate at the services in the First Presbyterian church, the following being the programme: Morning subject, "Christian War and Carnal Weapons"; evening subject, "The Great Salvation." Sabbath school and Bible class at 2.30; junior Endeavor at 10 a.m. Pre-communion service on Thursday evening.

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Services will be held in First Congregational church as follows: Morning at 11 o'clock; evening, 7 o'clock, when Rev. F. Payne, the pastor, will preach. In the morning the subject will be "Largeness of Heart," in the evening "Characteristics of the Boers," the subject which was posponed from February 4. After the usual evening service there will be held a union temperance meeting of all the Christian Endeavor societies of the city, at which several ministers of the city will speak.

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At St. John's church there will be morning prayer at 11 and evensong at 7, the rector, Rev. Percival Jenns, being the preacher at both services. The musical arrangements are as follows:

MORNING.

Organ—"Pastorale" in F..... Wely
Hymns 379, 239 and 437.
Organ—"Awake the Harp" .....Haydn

EVENING.

Organ—"O Lovely Peace" .....Handel
Hymns 376, 166 and 364.
Organ—"The War March" ..Mendelssohn

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At St. Barnabas church the services are: Holy eucharist, 8 a.m.; matins, 10.30; choral eucharist, 11; choral evensong, 7 p.m. The rector, Rev. E. G. Miller will be the preacher, and the musical programme is as follows:

MORNING.

Voluntary—"Communion" in E....Batiste
Hymns 321, 260 and 178.
"Communion Service" in G.....Simper
Voluntary—"Meditation" ..... Mourlan

EVENING.

Voluntary—"Adoration" .....Graham
Hymns 183, 191 and 234.
Voluntary—"Marche aux Flambeaux"..
..... Sectson Clark

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The following musical programme has been arranged for the services at Christ Church cathedral:

MATINS.

Organ—"Communion" in D.....Batiste
Psalms as set.
"Te Deum" ..|.....Macpherson
"Benedictus" ..... Dr. Hopkins
"Kyrie" ..... Dr. Mark
"Grand Offertoire" in F.....Batiste

EVENING.

Organ—"Grand Offertoire" on theme fr. "Krautzer Sonata" ..... Batiste
Psalms as set.
"Magnificat" ..... Dr. Garrett
"Nunc Dimittis" ..... Beethoven
Anthem—"I Am Alpha and Omega"....
..... Dr. Stainer
Hymns A. and M.....
Organ—"Rondo de Campanelli".. Morandi

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Rev. J. C. Speer will conduct the morning services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, the pastor, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, officiating in the evening. There will be the usual Sabbath school and Bible classes at 2.30 and 7 p.m. Following is the musical programme:

MORNING.

Organ—"Hymn of Nuns" .....Wely
Psalm 30.
Anthem—"O God, Who Hast Prepared" ..... Varley Roberts
Solo, Miss M. Murray.
Hymns 89, 131 and 218.
Organ—"Allegro" ..... Calkin

EVENING.

Organ—"Cantilena" ....Dubois
Psalm 71.
Anthem—"If I Go Not Away"..Caldicott
Soli, Mrs. McCandless and Mr. W. H. Barton.
Hymns 187 and 295.
Song—"The Children of the City"..... .....Stephen Adams
Mr. W. H. Barton.
Organ—"March" .....Lemmens

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At the Metropolitan Methodist church, Rev. Leslie Clay, B.A., will occupy the pulpit at the morning service. At 2.30 there will be the usual Sunday school service and Bible class. At 7 p.m. the pastor, Rev. J. C. Speer, will preach. At the close of the evening service there will be a prayer meeting for the soldiers and sufferers of the war.

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Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B.A., the pastor, will preach at both services in the Centennial Methodist church to-day. The usual Sunday school service at 2.30 will be followed by a meeting for the deepening of spiritual life, at which Evangelist Reid will speak.

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There will be a public lecture under the auspieces of the Universal Brotherhood at 28 Broad street at 8.15 p.m. on "Missing Factors in Modern Life." An afternoon class for children will be held at 2.30.

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Following is the programme arranged for services at the Calvary Baptist church, at which the pastor, Rev. J. F. Vichert, will officiate: Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Morning subject, "Enduring Hardness"; evening, "God's Thoughts and Ours." Sunday school and Bible class, 2.30. Monday, 8 p.m., B. Y. P. U. Wednesday, 8 p.m., prayer meeting in Burnside mission. Thursday, 8 p.m., prayer meeting.

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At the Emmanuel Baptist church, Fernwood road and Chatham streets, Rev. J. G. Hastings, M.A., the pastor, will preach as follows: 11 a.m., "The Seen and the Unseen"; 7 p.m., "The Choice—Christ or Barabbas." Sunday school and Bible class, 2.30; B.Y.P.U., Monday, 8 p.m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p.m.

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At the Reformed Episcopal church Bishop Cridge will preach in the morning on "The Gospel in Eden"; Dr. Wilson in the evening on "The Plagues of Egypt."

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At the Adventist chapel, 231 Pandora avenue, services will be conducted as follows: 3.30 p.m., "Saved by the Blood of Jesus"; 7.30 p.m., "God's Sacrifice to save sinners, or the Cost of Reconciliation." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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The Christadelphians hold a public meeting every Sunday evening at 7 o'clock in the A.O.U.W. hall, upstairs. All are welcome. No collection.

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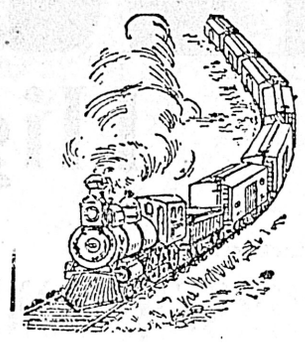
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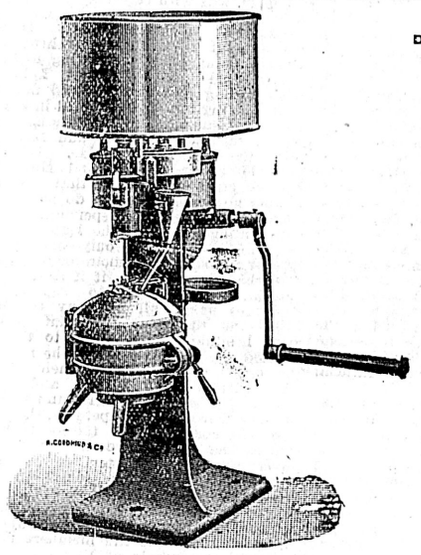
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The Tottering Government

Capitulation to Arch Enemy On Heels of Majority's Disappearance.

Military Ardor Allowed to Cool In Stress of Struggle For Political Life.

The past has been an eventful week in provincial politics. First the Coal Mines Regulation bill brought the pitiful condition of the ministry into prominence. Mr. Prentice came out unqualifiedly in opposition, with a speech the severest arraignment of the government yet made. He declared that in his opinion no such worthy motive as protecting white labor from the competition of the coolie class had actuated the government in bringing down this law—but that on the contrary it was an example of the worst form of class legislation, designed at the dictation of one colliery concern for the discomfiture of their business rivals. As for the real effect upon white labor—if the operation of the act was to expel the Chinese from the coal mines, they would only be brought into active competition with white workers in other parts of the province, and no real benefit result. A third reason for his refusal to endorse the measure was that it would unquestionably be declared ultra vires in the end, and the enactment of legislation that the province had not authority to accomplish was to his view child's play unworthy a body of supposedly rational men.

With Mr. Prentice's defection, the government during this debate, on Monday, was three times forced for salvation to the Speaker's vote; while on one of the two occasions, during the afternoon, both dealing with the proposed adjournments of the debate, the unique spectacle was presented of a member (Mr. Ralph Smith) being forced in order to save his party, to vote against a motion he had himself made.

Tuesday was an "off" day. After the eventful scene of Monday, when the fate of the coal mines bill and that of the government hung coincidently in the balance, the parliamentarians required a rest for their nerves. Accordingly, save for a preliminary skirmish on Mr. Martin's motion with respect to redistribution,, routine held the fort. In committee consideration of the Supreme Court Act, an amendment by Mr. McPhillips was accepted, providing that appeal shall be provided from interlocutory decisions in chambers cases, this being chiefly designed to meet the needs of Kootenay and allow small matters of litigation to be disposed of in Kootenay without the trouble and expense of bringing litigants and lawyers to the Coast. In the Bills of Sale Act the success of the efforts of Mr. Price Ellison, for his district, was apparent in the acceptance by the government of a sub-section providing for the registration of such instruments in the town of Vernon. The same action was sought with respect to Grand Forks, by Mr. J. M. Martin, but unceremoniously "stood over."

Redistribution was the text of Wednesday's proceedings, Mr. Martin putting his case in the strongest possible way, and virtually compelling a surrender. The government was shown to have had no intention of introducing a general redistribution measure this term; Mr. J. M. Martin said that he had expressed himself as satisfied with the granting of an extra member to Boundary, as was proposed in His Honor's speech; it was proved conclusively that the government had objected to redistribution suggestions at the beginning of the session—and then it was evidenced that the government had been forced by their following to bring in a general redistribution measure against its will, and bring it in at once. Attorney-General Henderson intimated that he was one o fthe coercing brigade, and instead of simply voting down the censure motion—as would be the course of any government secure in its position—the Premier asked leave to amend the motion, admitting the main charge in effect by saying that the government would do at once what it was proposed to censure them for not doing—and present a redistribution bill immediately.

On Thursday politics were retired to the background and personalities reigned, the text being Mr. Martin's motion for a committee of investigation on his late colleague, Hon. Mr. Cotton. The house after hearing the Finance Minister at length refused the committee.

Another question, not one of immediate policy, but which nevertheless filled an important place in the week's proceedings, was with reference to the sending of the proffered British Columbia contingent to South Africa. It was pointed out that hundreds throughout British Columbia were waiting to know what would be done—that hundreds were willing to volunteer—and that beyond sending the offer forward in a half-hearted fashion at the dictation of the house, the government had failed to press the offer as bona fide. In reply both Hon. Mr. Semlin and Hon. Mr. Cotton practically said that the Dominion government would do nothing in connection with an independent provincial contingent; that the Imperial government wanted units only—of mounted infantry 125 men, or mounted horsemen 260—that the province, if it sent a contingent, would have to send them "charges paid" all the way to Capetown—and that the provincial government hesitated about going to the increased expense involved. The reply of the opposition was that their loyalty went further than Halifax, and if the government of the Mother Land wanted the men delivered at Capetown, they had sufficient confidence in the people sustaining the expenditure to support the government to the extent of any sum required. At anotner stage in the week's proceedings the government appeared in an unfavorable light through refusing to allow a half-hour's adjournment in order that the members might join with the people of Victoria in bidding God-speed to the members of Strathcona's Horse who were being "farewelled" in the Drill hall, not fifty yards from the chamber. "I can see no more reason why we should go to see these young men away," said the Premier, "than that we should go to Kamloops or Vancouver to bid good-bye to the recruits that are being taken from those places." And just then the soul-stirring notes of "The British Grenadiers," followed by "Rule Britannia," floated through the windows.

It was Col. Baker who brought the motion forward that the house adjourn in order to bid farewell to the Strathcona Horse, and in his censure of the government for their lukewarm loyalty he administered a stinging reprimand, based largely upon the failure to make good the patriotic professions incorporated by the government in His Honor's address.

Among the new measures now before the house are the Timber Inspection bill, to provide for the official scaling of logs; the bill to establish councils of conciliation and arbitration; and a bill (by Mr. McPhillips) to restore the provincial franchise to the judges, sheriffs, deputies, civil servants, etc.—disfranchised by the infamous act of last session.

Still another motion of censure is on the order paper, the mover this time being Mr. Higgins. He has shown that the government withheld the most important letter of all from the return with reference to the eight-hour law that was demanded by resolution of the house. The letter in question he reads as stating that legislation on the subject would be brought before the house at the present session.

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Geo. D. Cameron, of Vancouver, is at the Driard.

Major J. Creig, of Salt Spring island, is at the Oriental.

J. Stephen, of Vancouver, is at the Victoria.

G. Gibson and wife, of New York, are at the Victoria.

Joseph Cullin, of Kamloops, and R. Somes, of Revelstoke, are at the Dominion. They are returning from a trip in California.

E. C. Higgins, of the Chemainus Lumber Company, is at the Dominion.

Mr. John Williams and wife, of Vancouver, are guests at the Dallas.

Dr. Milne returned last evening from a flying visit to Vancouver.

R. Cunningham and J. Thompson returned last evening from Vancouver.

J. E. Church was a passenger by the Charmer from Vancouver last evening.

H. L. Salmon came over from the Terminal City last night.

W. B. Reid, of the White Horse hotel, is ill in St. Joseph hospital.

Victoria Hunt Club Races

Programme for the Spring Meeting of the Club on Easter Monday.

An Attractive Series of Races With Good Prizes Offered.

The spring meeting of the Victoria Hunt Club will take place on Easter Monday, April 16. There will be at least four races, as follows:

The Hunt Cup.—A steeplechase for horses, the bona fide property at the time of entry of members of the Victoria Hunt Club; any member of the club entitled to ride; weight 180 pound; distance about 2¼ miles. This cup must be won twice by the same horse to become the absolute property of any member. Entrance fee $2.50.

The Ladies' Cup.—A steeplechase for horses the bona fide property at the time of entry of members of the Victoria Hunt Club. Any member of the club entitled to ride; weight 154 pounds; distance about 2½ miles. This cup must be won twice in succession by the same horse to become the absolute property of any member, the winner of the previous race for this cup to carry a 7-pound penalty; entrance fee $2.50.

The Colwood Plate.—A steeplechase for ponies, 14.2 hands high and under, the bona fide property at the time of entry of members of the Victoria Hunt Club; any member of the club entitled to ride; weight, catch weights; distance about two miles; ponies to be in the opinion of the committee bona fide paper-chasers; entrance fee $2.50.

The Farmers' Cup.—A flat race for horses bred in British Columbia, the bona fide property of farmers in the Victoria or adjacent districts, who are not members of the Victoria Hunt Club. The riders must be bona fide farmers or any member of the Victoria Hunt Club; weight, 154 pounds; distance about two miles; no entrance fee.

The entries for the Hunt cup, Ladies' cup and Colwood plate must reach the honorary secretary of the club, Work Point barracks, Victoria, by midnight of Saturday, April 7.

For the Farmers' race the entries remain open till 3.30 p.m. of the day of the race, and may be given in on the ground.

BASKET BALL.

The Bays Again Successful at Last Evening's Match.

The second game of basket ball in connection with the band concerts was played last night to a fair sized crowd, and again won by the Bays after a hard game by a score of 6-2. The teams lined up at 8.30 as follows:

J.B.A.A.—Guard, Finlaison; back, Lorimer and Galbraith; forwards, Burns, McNeil, Stephens; centre, Smith.

Victoria West—Guard, Jackson; backs, Andrews, Etherton; forwards, Merryfield, Williard, Humber; centre, Fairall; referee, Norman.

At the face off Victoria West secured the ball but were unable to score, and the globe travelled swiftly from one end to the other, both sides checking hard. The Bays had several chances, but failed, and half-time was called without either side scoring. Shortly after haf-time Humber scored the first and only goal for Victoria West. This put the Bays on their mettle and Smith scored twice in rapid succession. Play for the next few minutes was very rapid, some very pretty combination work on both sides being seen. Finlaison, Burns and Smith showing up well for the Bays, and Andrews, Fairall and Hunter for Victoria West. Finlaison secured and passed to Lorimer; he to Burns, who advanced it to Stephens, the latter scoring the third goal for the Bays. Time was called shortly afterwards without further score. S. Norman refereed the game with satisfaction to everyone.

The Bays will continue to practice for their game with the Seattle Y.M.C.A. at Seattle on Thursday next, on the occasion of the celebration of George Washington's birthday. Quite a number of their supporters have signified their intention of going over with the team. Cheap rates will be arranged.

There was a large attendance at the concert in Temperance Hall last evening. Mr. John Jardine occupied the chair and Mr. C. A. Longfield had charge of the programme, which was an excellent one. Next Saturday is gentlemen's night and the sterner sex will have entire charge, and provide the programme.

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THE LOCAL NEWS.

Charged With Vagrancy.—Sadie Grisley was arrested last night on a charge of vagrancy. She will be given a hearing in the police court to-morrow.

Eastern Boys to Dine.—On Wednesday evening next at the Dallas hotel the native sons of Eastern Canada will gather around the festive board and, besides doing justice to the good things provided by Mrs. Walt, talk over "old times." A large attendance is assured, as many tickets have been sold.

Native Sons.—The Nanaimo branch of the Native Sons of British Columbia was instituted on Thursday evening by Chief Factor J. Stuart Yates and James Harvey, of the Victoria post. The officers of the new post who will be installed on March 3, are: Past chief factor, Frank J. Stannard; chief factor, Joseph E. L. Muir; 1st vice-factor, E. C. Gibson, 2nd vice-factor, Benjamin D. Brown; hon. treasurer, A. H. Hilbert; sec'y-treasurer, Will F. Norris; recording secretary, John C. McGregor; inside sentinel, David F. Renwick; outside sentinel, Arthur Dixon; trustees, Enoch Sage, J. Wm. Brown, Oliver T. H. Randle, Andrew J. Smith, Vernon W. Stewart.

BROTCHIE LEDGE LIGHT.

Shipping Men Do Not Agree That it is Satisfactory.

Captain Rudlin, of the Charmer, does not agree with the statement of Captain Gaudin in his letter published last Thursday in regard to Brotchie ledge light. Captain Rudlin says that the light is not satisfactory by any means. He says that there is one point from which the light cannot be seen, owing to a support that interrupts the light, and that this is the poorest of the nine lights between here and Vancouver.

MARINE NOTES.

The Queen arrived at 3:30 yesterday from San Francisco, with 22 passengers and considerable freight. She left at 4:30 for the Sound. Among her passengers were Mr. and Mrs. Leeson, J. J. Whaler and J. Hemsworth. The Walla Walla goes out this afternoon with the following passengers for San Francisco: John Williams and wife, Miss D. Arms, Mrs. Prescott, C. H. C. Waller, Miss A. Lane, Miss M. H. Taylor, A. D. Scroggy and W. L. Gerstle.

It is stated in British shipping papers that the ship Warfield will shortly leave Hongkong for the Royal Roads. She will load lumber at one of the British Columbia mills.

A three-masted steamer was reported yesterday at 1:20 from Otter Point. It was supposed that it was the Japanese liner Tosa Maru, but the Tosa has four masts.

The first vessel built in Vancouver by the British Columbia Marine Railway Company, Ltd. (Bullen's), was launched yesterday morning in the presence of a large number of spectators. The new craft will operate as a ferry between Vancouver and North Vancouver. She is a screw steamer with 22-foot beam and 80 feet in length, and is fitted up by Messrs. Bullen in first-class shape.

A letter received from a Washington correspondent and dated yesterday, says that the secretary of the treasury assured a delegation consisting of Senator Foster and Representatives Cushman and Jones that Nome City would be made a port of entry, and a sub-collector would be stationed there, as at St. Michael.

COWICHAN.

Somenos, Feb. 14.—Another of our earliest pioneers has joined the great majority. Mrs. Neal Bell was interred in the Methodist churchyard, Somenos, on Tuesday last. She, her husband (a Highland Scotchman) and young family came here from New Zealand, forming part of the first little band of settlers who were brought to Cowichan Bay in one of Her Majesty's men of war; thence up the river in boats, landing on the shores of Somenos lake. Mr. Bell took up 300 acres of land, and the first modest log hut was built within a few yards of the home where, on Sunday last, this exemplary wife and mother sank gently to her well-earned rest. For many years she had not left the home farm; but in the early struggling days, when the young settlement had neither nurse nor doctor, her neighbors never appealed for help in vain, and many a young wife and mother had cause to bless her wise head and capable hands. She had been a widow for some fifteen years, but leaves a daughter and three sons to cherish her memory.

WAR.

Sitting by the cosy fireside,
Clasping close her first-born child,
Sat a mother crooning softly,
While the babe looked up and smiled;
She was thinking of her husband,
Praying for his safe return;
He would be so proud of baby—
How his heart for her must yearn!

On South Afric's field of slaughter
Had the father, husband died—
He had perished for his country;
For his country left his bride.
God! what horrors war engenders;
When will all this carnage cease?
Surely He our prayers remembers—
"Good will to men and on earth peace."

FRANK J. ANGEL.

RULERS OF THE WORLD.

Meat Eating Nations Are the Leaders in Every Branch of Human Achievement..

The ruling nations of the world are meat eaters and history records that they always have been.

Vegetarians and food cranks may explain this in any way they choose, but the facts remain that the Americans, English, French, Russians and Germans are meat eating nations, and they are also the most energetic and most progressive.

The principal food of the heroic Boer soldier known as Biltong, is a sort of dried beef, affording a great deal of nourishment in a highly concentrated form.

The weak races of people are the rice eating Chinese, Hindoos and Siamese, regarded since the dawn of history as non-progressive, superstitious and inferior physically and mentally to the meat eating nations who dominate them.

The structure of the teeth plainly indicates that human being should subsist upon a variety of food, meat, fruit and grains, and it is unhygienic to confine one's diet to any one of those classes to the exclusion of another.

Meat is the most concentrated and most easily digested of foods, but our manner of living is often so unnatural that the digestive organs refuse to properly digest meat, eggs, and similar nutritious and wholesome food, but it is not because such food is unwholesome, but the real reason is that the stomach lacks, from disease or weakness, some necessary digestive element; hence arising indigestion and later on, chronic dyspepsia.

Nervous people should eat plenty of meat, convalescents should make meat the principal food, hard working people have to do so and brain workers and office men should eat, not so much meat but at least once a day and to insure its perfect digestion one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets should be taken after each meal, because they supply the peptones, diastase and fruit acids, lacking in every case of stomach trouble.

Nervous dyspepsia, catarrh of stomach, gastritis, sour stomach, gas and acidity are only different names for indigestion, the failure to digest wholesome food, and the use of Stuart's Tablets cures them all because by affording perfect digestion the stomach has a chance to rest and recover its natural tone and vigor.

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A little book on stomach diseases mailed free by addressing F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. All drug stores sell the tablets at 50 cents for complete treatment.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

Between The Marion Steam Shovel Company, Plaintiff; and The Fort George Gold Dredging Company and The Pittsburg & Cariboo Gold Dredging Company, Defendants.

In obedience to a writ of fieri facias is sued out of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, Yale Registry, at Kamloops, and to me directed in the above named suit for the sum of $3,420.76 and $7.00 for costs of execution, etc., and also interest on $3,420.76 at six per centum per annum from the 7th day of January, 1899, until payment; besides Sheriff's poundage, officer's fees, and all other legal incidental expenses, I have seized and, unless the said execution debt, interest and costs are sooner paid, will offer for sale by public auction, on Friday, the 16th day of March proximo, at Rich Bar, about four miles below Quesnelle, on Fraser River, the following described goods and chattels, or sufficient thereof to satisfy the said execution debt, interest and costs, that is to say:

A complete dredging plant, known as the "Youngs Dredge," and consisting of 1 scow 26x80x5 feet, 1 scow 16x77x4 feet, 2 boilers of 50 h.p. each, 1 double steam hoisting engine 8x10, 1 double steam wheel engine 10x12, 1 dynamo with fittings complete; 2,000 lineal feet of assorted steel cable, 650 lineal feet of 2-inch Manilla rope, about 600 lbs of bolts, nuts and steam fittings, a full outfit of machinists', blacksmiths' and carpenters' tools, a large quantity of tools and appliances used in operating the dredge, and other articles too numerous to mention; also a set of steam hoisting engines now stored at Quesnelle; also 6 Dredging Leaseholds, each comprising 5 miles of the bed of Fraser River, commencing at a point on said River about 5 miles above the mouth of Cottonwood River and extending thence up stream a distance of thirty miles.

JOHN STEVENSON,
Sheriff of Cariboo.

Barkerville, B. C.,
February 6th, 1900.

CITY ENGINEER WANTED.

City of Rossland, B.C.

Applications for the position of City Engineer for the City of Rossland, B. C., will be received by the undersigned, up to March 10th, 1900. Salary $2,000 per year. Applicants to state qualifications, and enclose testimonials. A knowledge of Sewerage required.

WM. McQUEEN,
City Clerk.

Rossland, B.C., January 31st, 1900.

NOTICE

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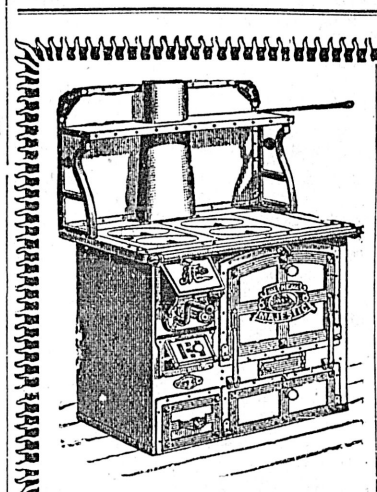

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A few years ago Blue Ribbon Ceylon Tea was unknown, today it is a household word. Why?

Vaccination And Smallpox.

Provincial Board of Health Issues Timely Leaflet on the Preventive.

Precautions to Prevent Introduction of Scourge From State of Washington.

The provincial board of health has issued a leaflet giving information on the subject of vaccination, which is timely on account of the prevalence of smallpox at present in Spokane and other points in the state of Washington. This is its text:

There never has been, in the history of medical science, any discovery made which stands out so broadly successful as Jenner's discovery that vaccination is a preventive of smallpox.

Opposition to vaccination has been advanced mainly, under two heads: (1) That is causes other diseases. (2) That vaccination neither prevents nor modifies smallpox.

(1) That there was some reason for this opinion is freely admitted. At the time of the introduction of vaccination, and until a comparatively recent time, arm to arm vaccination was chiefly practised. Careful selection was made of persons from whom to get the vaccine, but despite the utmost care, disease, intentionally or otherwise concealed, was innocently transmitted. Although such instances were few, still they were sufficient to give foundation for a prejudice against vaccination. But modern methods have entirely removed such objections. Arm to arm vaccination is rarely practised, and is unnecessary.

Vaccine, as supplied to-day, is not from the human being, but is obtained by inoculating, in numerous places, the carefully shaven and disinfected belly of a calf. This animal is not susceptible to certain human diseases, the transmission of which is feared. Thus the calf acts as a perfect filter and serves to protect us against transmission of such diseases.

Nevertheless in a very small portion of cases "bad arms" result or abscesses form. The explanation in the majority of cases is simple. The vaccine is not to be blamed, but the methods of vaccination too often are. It is popularly known that often a simple wound gives rise to blood poisoning, and similarly the vaccination wound may thus act. The reason is that in every person's skin exist innumerable microbes which may give rise to blood poisoning by entering through the abrasion. But if the site chosen for vaccination be carefully cleansed, either in the ordinary way or by antiseptics, the handling and dressings be clean, then the danger is reduced almost to nil.

Thus the small percentage of dangers of vaccination are, by modern methods, reduced to a minimum, and all objections should therefore be withdrawn to the universal acceptance of the most thoroughly proved method of averting any disease.

(2) The vaccination commission held in England lays down with all the authority it is entitled to, that "vaccination affords almost absolute protection against smallpox—the severest scourge of the human race."

The above statement, while true as to the power of vaccination, fortunately needs to be modified as to the severity of the scourge. And why is this, simply because the practice of vaccination is now so general in civilized countries. Before the introduction of vaccination a tenth of all deaths in Europe were due to smallpox. Now, thanks to Jenner, the percentage is much less formidable.

Unmodified smallpox is one of the most fatal, and loathsome of diseases. The unmodified form is generally the form contracted by unvaccinated persons. One vaccination, unless very recent and thorough, does not afford immunity—and even when recently successful it is safer to be re-vaccinated till the pure virus ceases to "take."

The following statistics illustrate what I mean. They are reliable, as accepted by the Royal Commission held in 1871:

1. Stated to have been vaccinated but having not cicatrix, percentage of deaths, 1852-67, 39.4.
2. Having one vaccine cicatrix, percentage of deaths, 1852-67, 13.8.
3. Having two vaccine cicatrices, percentage of deaths, 1852-67, 7.7.
4. Having three vaccine cicatrices, percentage of deaths, 1852-67, 3.0.
5. Having four or more vaccine cicatrices, percentage of deaths, 1852-67, 0.9.

These figures speak for themselves. They show that the controlling power of vaccination over smallpox is in very close relationship to the number of vaccine marks on the patient; and that the power of vaccination to protect against fatal smallpox depends on the amount of induced vaccinia. Therefore, thorough vaccination and re-vaccination is the only safeguard.

I will now conclude by giving some more statistical evidence, which is so voluminous that selection is difficult. The figures are taken from authorities that cannot be doubted, and I think must appeal to all reasonable men.

MONTREAL EPIDEMIC, 1885.

The population in 1885 was 167,000.

"From simple neglect on the part of large numbers of people, a considerable portion of the children of Montreal were unvaccinated.

"The first case (an imported one) occurred at the end of February, but the outbreak assumed no alarming proportions until June. By the end of the year 3,164 deaths had occurred."

Sir George Buchanan, summarising the main facts regarding the Sheffield epidemic, 1887-88, says:

"Among the vaccinated the attack rate per 1,000 children was 5; among the unvaccinated it was 101. The death rate per 100 vaccinated was 0.09; among the unvaccinated it was 44. Therefore, for 100,000 vaccinated children, the rate of smallpox mortality actually observed in Sheffield gives 9 deaths. For 100,000 unvaccinated children, the rate of smallpox mortality actually observed gives 4,400 deaths."

Probably no class of the community is so much exposed to infection as nurses in smallpox hospitals. The following figures taken from a report of the London Epidemiological Society will be interesting and instructing:

"Seven hundred and thirty-four nurses and attendants did duty for the Metropolitan Asylums Boards hospitals during an epidemic of smallpox. Of the 734 there were 79 who had smallpox previously, and none of these were infected; 645 had been revaccinated before entering on their duties, and the whole of these escaped the disease; the remaining ten had not been revaccinated and every one of them took smallpox."

The following shows the rate of attack by smallpox among the vaccinated and unvaccinated during the epidemic in three English cities:

	Vac.	Unvac.
Sheffield	7.8	67.6
Leicester	2.5	35.3
Gloucester	8.8	46.3

C. J. FAGAN,
Sec'y Provincial Board of Health.

Victoria, February 12, 1900.

PREVENTIVE REGULATIONS.

The following regulations of the provincial board of health were approved by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council on the 15th February, instant:

1. All passengers arriving at the boundary line from the south may be required to furnish the inspector or officer in charge of the carrying out of these regulations with a certificate from the health officer of the city or town which he or she has left, containing the following particulars:

(a.) That he or she has not been in any place or building infected with smallpox.

(b.) That he or she has not lived in any place or building which lies dangerously near any infected building or district.

(c.) That he or she has recently been successfully vaccinated.

2. If the inspector believes that any person is infected, or that his or her clothing or other effects contain infection, the inspector shall detain such person and his or her clothing and effects as aforesaid, until the period of incubation is over, and such person and his or her clothing and other effects shall be at once disinfected.

3. If he only suspects that any person on board, or the effects of any such person have been exposed to infection, he shall notify the medical health officer of the locality to which the person is going to meet the train or boat, and to keep the person thereafter under observation.

4. In the event of any person bringing any baggage (hand or otherwise), or whether the same shall be forwarded by express, the following certificate may also be required from the health officer of the town or city aforesaid:

(a.) That the said baggage (here give full description of said baggage, so that there can be no question as to identification) has not been in any place or building infected with smallpox.

(b.) That the said baggage has not been stored or used in any place or building which lies dangerously near any infected building or district.

5. All railway companies, transportation companies and stage lines must adhere strictly to the following regulations:

(a.) All mail from infected districts destined for points on the boundary line, or north of same, must be fumigated on or before leaving the last point of call south of said line, and the master in charge of such mail must furnish the inspector or officer in charge of the carrying out of these regulations with a certificate from the health officer of such point where fumigation takes place that same has been done.

(b.) All cars must be fumigated before leaving American points for British Columbia points, and the health officer's certificate must be furnished that such has been done.

(c.) No Indians shall be allowed to land in West Kootenay or East Yale under any conditions.

NOTIFICATION.

6. Whenever any householder knows or suspects that any person within his household has smallpox, he shall immediately, by special messenger when possible, give notice to the medical health officer.

7. Whenever any physician knows or suspects that any person whom he is called upon to visit is infected with or has died of smallpox, he shall immediately notify the medical health officer.

8. Any physician so called shall have, for the purpose of isolating the infected person and his attendants and of placing the patient, attendants and all other persons residing in the same house and the house itself in quarantine, all the powers of the medical health officer, and the duty of ordering and enforcing such immediate isolation and quarantine shall devolve upon such physician until the medical health officer has been notified and has had time to act.

9. Whenever a teacher in any school has reason to suspect that any pupil is suffering from smallpox, or that smallpox exists at the house of any pupil, he shall notify the medical health officer immediately, and shall prevent the attendance of said pupil or pupils until medical evidence that no danger of infection exists has been obtained. (Vide section 86, sub-section 3, Health Act, 1893.)

10. Physicians, teachers and householders shall notify the medical health officer of the presence, or suspected presence, of chicken-pox.

11. The medical health officer shall immediately give notice by telegraph to the provincial board of health of the first case of smallpox which shall appear in his district, and shall further furnish, every seven days, or oftener if required, a statement showing the number of new cases developed, the number of those who have died, the number of those who have recovered, and the number who are still sick.

SUSPECTED CASE.

12. The medical health officer of every district, or any of his medical assistants, having received information of a suspected case of smallpox, shall immediately enquire into the case, either by consultation with the attending physician or by his own personal observation, or both. If the characteristic symptoms are not sufficiently developed at the time of investigation, the medical health officer shall keep the case under his own personal observation at the special suspect station or elsewhere, until the true nature of the disease is discovered. Until the time has arrived when, in the opinion of the medical health officer, all cause for suspicion or danger is past, the suspected case shall be isolated and otherwise dealt with in the same manner as prescribed for a case of smallpox. The persons living in the same house, or who have been in contact with the infected patient, shall also be kept under observation. And all such persons and the suspected person also shall be immediately vaccinated with the most active vaccine matter procurable.

ACTUAL CASES.

13. The action to be taken in the event of a case of smallpox being discovered is shortly as follows: (a.) Detention, disinfection, isolation of persons affected or exposed to infection; (b) disinfection of car or boat; (c) vaccination of all persons who have been exposed to contagion or suspected of conveying contagion, (d) the treatment as a suspect of any person who refuses to be vaccinated; (e) notification of the local board of health officers at places of destination; (f) notification of secretary of provincial board.

VACCINATION.

14. It shall be incumbent upon local boards of health to arrange suitable times and places for vaccination, and to give public notice thereof.

15. It is now deemed necessary, and is hereby ordered, that teachers in public schools and high schools or colleges shall require a certificate of successful vaccination from each child attending at such school or college, or a certificate that such child is at that present time insusceptible to vaccination. The certificates shall be presented on demand to the teacher or other proper authority.

PENAL CLAUSE.

16. Provides that any person who violates any regulation of the provincial board shall, unless it is otherwise specially provided, be liable for every such offence to a fine not exceeding $100, with or without costs, or to imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for a term not exceeding six months, or to both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the convicting court.

17. The smallpox regulations adopted in 1896 are now in force.

CHARLES J. FAGAN,
Secretary Provincial Board of Health.
Victoria, Feb. 12, 1900.

The Finest made—Martell's Three Star Brandy.

CEMENT and CURB STONES

Tenders (separate), properly sealed and endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m., on Monday, March 5th, for 2,000 barrels (or more, if required,) of White's Portland Cement; also for 2,000 lineal feet (or more, if required,) of Granite Curb Stones.

Particulars and specifications can be seen at the office of the undersigned.

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WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C.,
February 16th, 1900.

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Ladies and Gentlemen's suits made to Order in the Latest and best fashions

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MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Victoria and Saanich Railway Extension and Loan By-Law

1900.

I hereby give notice that such of the electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, as are entitled to vote on a by-law for raising money upon the credit of the Municipality, are requested to attend at the polling place, or places, of the ward or wards, of the said Municipality, at which they are so entitled to vote, on Wednesday, the 28th day of February, 1900, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and to record their votes for or against the passage of the Victoria and Saanich Railway Extension and Loan By-law, 1900, a copy of which By-law is published in the Victoria Daily Colonist, and copies whereof are posted up at the City Hall, and at the Public Market Building, Cormorant Street, and also in each ward; and to take notice that said by-law will not be valid, or of any effect, unless the vote polled in favor thereof be at least a three-fifths majority of the votes polled.

The polling places are as follows, viz.: For the North Ward, Central Ward and South Ward will be held at the Public Market Building, fronting on Cormorant Street.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 15th day of February, 1900.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Returning Officer.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 60 of the Municipal Clauses Act, that the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria has, by resolution passed at a meeting of the said Council, held on the 13th day of February, 1900, declared that certain wooden buildings situate and being upon lot 585, block N, in the City of Victoria, and all wooned structures on the said lot are a nuisance and dangerous to the public health, and it was thereby ordered that the same should be pulled down and removed by the owner or owners, agents, lessees or occupiers thereof, and in case of default by the said owner or owners, agents, lessees, or occupiers thereof, within five days after publication of this notice in the Daily Colonist (a daily newspaper published in the Municipality of the City of Victoria), to comply with this order, it was thereby further ordered that such pulling down and removal of the said buildings and structures be done by the Sanitary Officer at the cost of the owner or owners of such buildings or structures, and that the payment of such cost and all expenses incidental thereto should be enforced against the owner or owners by the said Sanitary Officer in an action at law in any court of competent jurisdiction.

By order.

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Victoria, B.C.,
February 14th, 1900.

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D. W. MAINGUY,
Hon. Secretary Board of Trustees, Chemainus, P.O.

A BY-LAW

To aid a Railway Company to be formed for the purpose of acquiring and operating the Victoria & Sidney Railway and extending the same, and operating a Ferry System between Sidney or the terminus of such extension on the Saanich Peninsula and some convenient point on the Mainland of British Columbia.

Whereas, under and by virtue of the "Municipal Clauses Act" the Council of every Municipality may from time to time make by-laws for subscribing for any number of shares in the capital stock of any incorporated railway and for exempting the yards and works of any such company from taxation for a term not exceeding ten years,

Provided that no shares shall be subscribed for any Company whose lines, bridges and works are not either wholly or in part within the limits of the Municipality;

And, Whereas, by certain Articles of Agreement bearing date the tenth day of January, 1900, certain powers, and privileges were granted by the Corporation of the City of Victoria to Joseph A. Sayward, David Spencer, Frederick B. Pemberton, William Munsie and Clement E. Renouf, (thereinafter called "The Trustees") and which said agreement is in the words and figures following:

Agreement made and entered into this tenth day of January, 1900, between the Corporation of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, hereinafter called "The Corporation," of the first part, and Joseph A. Sayward, merchant; David Spencer, merchant; Frederick B. Pemberton, financial agent; William Munsie, merchant; and Clement E. Renouf, merchant; all of the City of Victoria, aforesaid; hereinafter called "The Trustees," and their assigns, of the second part;

Whereas, the Trustees are desirous of forming a company (hereinafter called and referred to as "The Company") for the purpose of acquiring and operating the Victoria & Sidney Railway and of extending the same into the business part of the City of Victoria, and also if found necessary or expedient to extend the same to some convenient harbor north of Sidney; for the purpose of establishing and operating a ferry system between Sidney or the terminus of such extension on the Saanich Peninsula and some convenient point on the Mainland of British Columbia, south of the Fraser river and north of the International boundary, and also for the purpose of building, equipping and operating a line of railway from such point as aforesaid on the mainland through the Municipalities and Districts of Delta, Surrey, Langley, Matsqui, Sumas and Chilliwack, to the town of Chilliwack or Centreville, in the Province of British Columbia;

And whereas, for the purposes and for the benefit of the Company the Trustees have requested the Corporation to grant them certain rights, franchises, powers and privileges and to subscribe for and become the holders of shares of the capital stock of the Company to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000.00);

Now therefore this agreement, in consideration of the premises and of the covenants hereinafter contained on the part of each of the parties hereto to be done and performed witnesseth as follows:

1. The Trustees shall and will immediately on the assent of the electors of the said Corporation being obtained to a by-law authorizing the Corporation to subscribe for shares of the capital stock of the Company petition the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia and the Parliament of Canada or either of them at the next ensuing sitting thereof to pass an act incorporating the Company hereinbefore referred to with an authorized capital of not exceeding two million dollars ($2,000,000.00), and for all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises necessary and proper to enable the Company most effectually to carry out the objects above set forth and such other objects as the Trustees may deem advisable.

2. That in the event of the passing of such an act by either or both of the said legislative authorities the Trustees shall in conformity with the provisions of such act and of the general Railway Act applicable thereto, organize the Company for the purpose of carrying out the objects aforesaid, and that immediately on the organization of the Company the Corporation shall subscribe for shares of the capital stock of the Company to the par value of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000.00), and the Corporation shall thereupon be entitled and subject to all the rights and liabilities of shareholders in the said Company.

Provided, however, that the Corporation shall incur no liability in respect to its subscription for the said shares unless and until the Company shall have either by the sale of its shares at par, or by Municipal, Provincial or Federal bonuses, grants, or guarantees in aid of the construction of the said undertaking, or have had otherwise secured to it for the purposes of its undertaking, a sum of not less than three hundred thousand dollars ($300,000.00).

3. The Trustees hereby undertake and agree that the Company shall not in or by any special act of incorporation which may be obtained in respect thereof, or otherwise, vary or cause to be varied the provision of section 34, sub-section 5, of the British Columbia Railway Act. The shareholders of the Company (including the Corporation) shall be entitled to one vote in respect of each and every share held by them in the Company.

4. So soon as the matters mentioned in the first and second paragraphs hereof are carried out and the Company has acquired capital sufficient for its purposes, the Company shall forthwith acquire either by purchase, lease or otherwise, the property and assets of the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company, and shall proceed to construct a railway of standard gauge from some convenient point as aforesaid on the Mainland of British Columbia to the town of Chilliwack or Centreville by the route hereinbefore mentioned.

5. The Corporation hereby gives and grants unto the said Company the right and power to pass over, across and along such streets and highways of the Corporation as the Company and the Corporation may deem most suitable for such purposes, lying between the present terminus of the Victoria & Sidney Railway, on Hillside Avenue, in the said City of Victoria, and some point at or near the harbor front in the said City.

Provided, however, that no system of double tracking shall be permitted on any streets of the city, and that such extension of the said Victoria & Sidney Railway shall connect with the railway of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company, and that the route of the proposed extension of the said Victoria & Sidney Railway and the construction thereof shall be subject to the approval of the Municipal Council, City Engineer or some other competent person appointed or approved by the Corporation, and all repairs, additions or alterations of the same shall be subject to the same approval.

6. The Company shall be liable for all damages arising out of the construction or operation of the works herein contemplated within the municipality.

7. If the Company neglect to keep its tracks or roadways between the same or crossing between and on each side of the rails and two feet on the outer side of each along the whole length thereof in said streets in good condition or to have necessary repairs made, the City Engineer or other proper officer shall give notice thereof to the Company requiring such repairs to be made forthwith; and if not made within a reasonable time the said City Engineer or other officer aforesaid may cause the repairs to be made and the amount so expended by the Corporation may be recovered against the Company in any court of competent jurisdiction.

8. The Company shall at its own cost and expense throughout the whole length of the Railway within the said City, cause the space between the rails and space of two feet on the outer side of each rail to be paved or macadamized as the case may be in conformity with the remainder of the street through which the said railway passes.

9. Before breaking up, opening or interfering with any of the said streets for the purpose of constructing the said railway the Company shall give or cause to be given to the Corporation at least thirty days' notice of their intention so to do, and that no more than 2,500 feet of the said streets shall be broken up or opened at any one time; and that when the work thereon shall have been commenced the same shall be proceeded with steadily and without interruption and as rapidly as the same can be carried on, due regard being had to the proper and efficient construction of the same.

10. During the construction of the said works due and proper care shall be taken to leave sufficient space and crossings so that the traffic and travel on the said streets and other streets intersecting same shall not be unnecessarily impeded, and proper lights or watchmen shall be provided and kept by the Company.

11. The location of the said railway in any of the streets shall not be made until the plans thereof showing the position of the rails and other works in each street shall have been submitted and approved of by the Municipal Council and City Engineer or other such officer as aforesaid.

12. All work in constructing such railway shall be done in a substantial manner and according to the most approved modern methods, and shall be subject to the supervision and approval of the City Engineer or other such officer or person as the Municipal Council of the said Corporation shall appoint for that purpose.

13. The Corporation shall and will at the request of and for the use and benefit of the Company at its option, of which twelve months' previous notice shall have been given by the Company to the Corporation, grant and demise for a term of not more than fifty years, at an annual rental not exceeding the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000.00) per year, the buildings, grounds, improvements and appurtenances thereto belonging of the premises known as the City Market, more particularly known and described as Lots 594, 595, 597, 598, 586, 587, 588 and half of 589 of Block N, of the City of Victoria.

14. The lands and improvements of the Company within the limits of the Municipality of the City of Victoria shall be exempted from Municipal taxation of any and every kind whatsoever and for any and every purpose whatsoever by the Corporation, for a period of ten years from the completion of the undertaking.

15. The Company shall begin the construction of the said undertaking within two years from the date when the By-law hereinbefore mentioned shall have received the assent of the electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, and shall complete the whole undertaking ready for operation within three years from the date of the passing of the By-law, and shall continuously operate the same thereafter.

16. That part of the Company's undertaking relating to connection by steamer and ferry for passengers and freight between the terminus of the railway at or near Sidney and the Coast terminal point on the Mainland of British Columbia shall be complete and in operation at or before the time when the railway shall be constructed and ready for operation from such Coast terminal point as far as the Town of Chilliwack or Centreville.

17. The Company shall construct and equip a passenger steamship of not less than 150 feet in length, with a licensed capacity of not less than 150 first-class passengers per trip, and also to carry mails, fast freight and express matter between the Port of Sidney or other the terminal on Vancouver Island, and the point or port on the Mainland of British Columbia, at least two round trips per day from and after the time of the completion thereof. Such steamship shall have and shall be operated at an average speed of not less than eighteen knots per hour, and shall be constructed so as to be thoroughly seaworthy and capable of making the passage between the said ports in any weather.

18. The Company shall construct and equip a twin-screw ferry steamship capable of carrying ten laden freight cars of standard gauge and loan capacity of 30,000 lbs each, and maintain and operate the same between the said ports at least one round trip per day from and after the time of the completion thereof. Such ferry steamship shall have and shall be operated at an average speed of nine miles per hour, and shall be constructed so as to be thoroughly seaworthy and capable of making the passage between the ports or points aforesaid in any weather.

19. The Company shall at Sidney or other port of Vancouver Island and at its Coast terminal point or port on the Mainland of British Columbia acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise sufficient lands and tide lands, and shall build or provide and shall maintain and operate such wharves, docks, slips, sheds, warehouses and depots and, lay down such tracks and provide and maintain all such other buildings and terminal works as shall be necessary for the accommodation, transfer and transportation on and over the said railway of the Company of all classes of traffic, both freight and passenger.

20. The Company shall make traffic arrangements and enter into contracts with at least one of the transcontinental railways crossing the line of the said railway for an exchange of traffic and equipment, so that all traffic, both passenger and freight, may be carried over the railway of the company on the Mainland and the railway of the said transcontinental line without transferring traffic from the railway passenger coaches or freight cars respectively of the Company or of the said transcontinental railway respectively.

21. The Mayor for the time being of the City of Victoria shall, ex-officio, be a director of the Company so long as the Corporation shall hold any shares in the Company.

22. From and after the first day of September, 1901, the Company shall in the event of the City of Victoria being called upon to pay any interest upon the bonds of the Victoria & Sidney Railway under the By-law in aid of the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company finally adopted by the Municipal Council on the 20th day of July, 1892, indemnify and save harmless the Corporation from any and all such payments thereafter to become due and payable under and by virtue of the said By-law, and of and from all claims or demands in respect thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals and the Corporation has caused its Corporate Seal to be hereunto affixed the day and year first above written.

And whereas, it is expedient and necessary to raise a sum of money for the purpose of subscribing as mentioned in the said Agreement, the sum of five hundred thousand dollars towards the capital of the Company and for that purpose to raise the sum of five hundred thousand dollars;

And whereas it will require the sum of thirty-two thousand eight hundred dollars ($32,800.00) to be raised annually by rate for payment of the new debt and interest;

And whereas the whole rateable land and improvements or real property of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria, according to the last revised Assessment Roll for the year 1899, is $13,907,814.;

And whereas it will require an annual rate of two mills and seven-eights of a mill in the dollar for paying such new debt and interest;

And whereas this By-law shall not be altered or repealed except with the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council;

And whereas a Petition under section 60 of the "Municipal Clauses Act" has been presented to the Municipal Council signed by the owners of more than one-tenth of the value of the real property in the said City requesting the said Council to introduce a By-law with the hereinbefore recited objects:

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. The said Agreement hereinbefore recited shall be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed and the said Joseph A. Sayward, David Spencer, Frederick B. Pemberton, William Munsia and Clement E. Renouf and the Company to be hereafter formed by them are hereby authorized to exercise the right and power to pass over, across and along such streets and highways of the Corporation as the Company and the Corporation may deem most suitable for its purposes, and lying between the points mentioned in the said Agreement, and to operate the said railway under the conditions, provisions and restrictions (and not otherwise) in the said Agreement contained and such other regulations as are herein set forth.

2. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation by way of Debentures hereinafter mentions, from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same as a loan, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000.00) currency (or Sterling money at the rate of four dollars and eighty-six and two-thirds cents to the one pound Sterling), and to cause all such sums so raised and received to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation for the purpose of subscribing the said sum of five hundred thousand dollars to the Company, with the object and upon the conditions mentioned in the said Agreement.

3. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of Debentures to be made, executed and issued for such sums as may be required, not exceeding, however, the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000.00) either in currency or Sterling money (at the rate of four dollars and eighty-six and two-thirds cents to the one pound Sterling), as may be required, each of the said Debentures being of the amount of one thousand dollars or its Sterling equivalent, at the rate aforesaid, and all such Debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the Corporation and signed by the Mayor thereof.

4. The said Debentures shall bear date the first day of July, 1900, and shall be made payable in twenty-five years from the said date at such place either in Great Britain, the United States of America, or the Dominion of Canada, as may be designated thereon, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest and the signatures to the interest coupons may be either written, stamped, printed or lithographed.

5. The said Debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be payable half-yearly at such places either in Great Britain, the United States or the Dominion of Canada, as may be expressed in the Debentures and coupons.

6. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause the said Debentures and the interest coupons, either or both, to be made payable at such place either in Great Britain, the United States of American or the Dominion of Canada, as may be desired.

7. For the purpose of raising annually a certain specific sum for the payment of the interest on the said Debentures during their currency, there shall be raised annually the sum of twenty thousand dollars, and for the purpose of raising annually a certain specific sum for the payment of the debt at maturity there shall be raised annually the sum of twelve thousand eight hundred dollars.

8. The said annual sums in the next preceding paragraphs mentioned shall be raised and levied in each year by a rate sufficient therefor on all the rateable land or improvements or real property in the Municipality of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria during the continuance of the said Debentures or any of them.

9. This By-law shall before the final passage thereof receive the assent of the electors of the said Corporation in the manner provided for by the Municipal Clauses Act and amendments thereto, and shall take effect on the first day of March, 1900.

10. This By-law may be cited as the "Victoria & Saanich Railway Extension and Loan By-law, 1900."

NOTICE.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of the proposed by-law upon which the vote of the municipality will be taken at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street, for the North, South and Central Wards, on Wednesday, the 28th day of February inst., and the poll will be kept open between the hours of 8 o'clock a.m., and 4 o'clock p.m., and that Wm. W. Northcott has been appointed the Returning Officer of the said vote.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk's Office, C. M. C.

Victoria, B.C., 15th February, 1900.

BOILERS AND STEAM PUMPS.

Tenders, properly sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday, 12th March prox., for 2 Steam Pumps and Fittings; also for 3 Boilers and Fittings; all to be fitted and fixed in place near the North Dairy Farm, about 3 miles from the City Hall, in accordance with specifications, which can be seen at the office of the undersigned. Certified cheque, payable to City Treasurer, equal to 5 per cent. of amount of tender, to accompany each tender.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C.,
February 14th, 1900.

APPLICATIONS.

Applications, accompanied by testimonials, references, etc., will be received by the undersigned until Saturday, the 24th inst., at 1 p.m., for the position of

1 SERGEANT AND 4 CONSTABLES IN THE CITY POLICE FORCE.

Applicants must state age, height and weight.

By order of the Police Commissioners.

F. PAGE,
Secretary.

LODGES AND SOCIETIES.

SONS OF ENGLAND—Alexandra Lodge A.O.U.W., hall, 2nd and 4th Thursday. J. G. Taylor, secretary.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Feb. 17.—8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

There has been a very general decrease of pressure. The high area in the Northwest Territories has moved to the southeast and a low area is now passing from the Pacific to the northward, being central in Cariboo. The weather has been much milder and precipitation general all along the coast, a heavy rainfall to-day of over one inch being reported from Fort Canby. The snow fall of yesterday was only on this island and its immediate vicinity.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	28	45
New Westminster	24	40
Kamloops	8	32
Barkerville	14	36
Calgary	—12	16
Winnipeg	—16	— 4
Portland Ore.	26	34
San Francisco	48	60

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Sunday:

Victoria and Vicinity—Southerly winds; minder; partly fair, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland—Easterly to southerly winds; partly cloudy, with occasional rain.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, Feb. 17.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	35	Mean	36
Noon	43	Highest	45
5 p.m.	44	Lowest	28

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... 8 miles nortseast.
Noon ..... 6 miles east.
5 p.m. ..... Calm.

Average state of weather—Cloudy, with showers.
Rain—.35 inch.
Sunshine—30 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed 29.910
Corrected 29.937

NEW WESTMINSTER.
Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected 30.02

PASSENGERS.

By steamer Charmer from Vancouver:

R. Cunningham.	H Cliffe
J. Thomson.	H L. Salmon.
W. T. Andrews.	J. E. Church.
Dr. Milne.	P. G. Shallcross.
W. B. Skellin.	A. Morris.
Mrs. C. W. Black.	W. Bucklus.
Mrs. Claxton.	F. J. Claxton.
N. Campbell.	

By steamer Queen from San Francisco:

Miss Rohlandt.	Miss N. Clift.
S. C. Vick.	J. Collin.
Mrs. Vick.	R. Somes.
J. Rinton.	T. J. Stephens.
H. MacDonnell.	A. E. Henderson.
Mrs. MacDonnell.	Miss Miller.
Miss Minona.	Miss Lee.
Miss D. Clark.	Miss M. Crow.
W. Hulley.	F. Fisher.
J. Kneebone.	T. A. Vicars.
Miss A. S. Brayton.	Miss L. Scott.
Capt. Wise.	J. E. Burton.
Master Wise.	

By steamer Victorian from the Sound:

Harry Roberts.	C. W. Cook.
J. W. Casey.	Capt. Cox.
F. P. Zant.	Mrs. Cox.
Capt. Lloyd.	Jas. Irving.
Wm. Seagnette.	E. W. Campbell.
Jas. McKeen.	Miss M. Durham.

CONSIGNEES.

By steamer Charmer from Vancouver:

Paterson Shoe Co.	D. H. Ross & Co.
J. Meston.	Todd & Sons.
Martin & R.	M. W. Waitt & Co.
Lenz & Leiser.	M. R. Smith & Co.
A. Holmes.	Wm. Christie.
Clayton & Costin.	Hasties' Fair.
G. R. Jackson.	Joe McDowell.
S. Leiser.	Henderson Bros.
Allan & Co.	Geo. Maynard.
Wm. Wilby.	J. Piercy & Co.
Voss & Leason.	Weiler Bros.
Saunders & Co.	Agent.
Young & Co.	D. Spencer.
Hutcheson Co.	Vic. B. & S. Co.
W. A. Ward.	Dom. Ex. Co.

By steamer Queen from San Francisco:

H. B. Co.	Wilson Bros.
H. J. Brady & Co.	Gus Hanck.
J. W. Mellor.	J. McPhee & Son.
John Barnsley & Co.	Stockholm & D.
John Robertson.	F. McNeely.
G. C. Hinton & Co.	Lung Kee.
Henderson Bros.	M. J. Booth.
H. Short & Sons.	Ames, Holden Co.
E. Hunt.	C. R. King.
E. G. Prior & Co.	D. H. Ross & Co.
F. J. Carne, jr.	Wells, Farge & Co.
F. R. Stewart.	M. H. H. Lambert.
Fell & Co.	W. H. Malkin & Co.
G. E. Munro & Co.	Sampletor Bros.
E. J. Saunders & Co.	J. Meeton.
S. Leiser & Co.	D. D. Barnardl Co.
Shallcross, M. & Co.	Erskine, W. & Co.
Watson & Hall.	E. B. Marvin & Co.
M. Bantly.	S. J. Pitts.
Miss F. Vigor.	W. H. Morton.
R. P. Rithet & Co.	B. C. Mills, F. & F.
R. Baker & Son.	Winch & Bower.

By steamer Victorian from the Sound:

A. McGregor & Son.	J. H. Todd & Son.
Erskine, W. & Co.	Vict.-Yukon T. Co.
Sylvester Feed Co.	E. E. Blackwood.

JAMESON RAID AGAIN.

Chamberlain to Produce Evidence Disposing of the Suggestion of Complicity.

London, Feb. 17.—The parliamentary correspondent of the Standard says this morning: "It is expected that Mr. Chamberlain next Tuesday will give parliament information completely disposing of the suggestion that the coloniai office was in any way accessory to the Jameson raid."

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The Williams Libel Charge.

Severe Examination of Editor Sarel of the Kamloops Standard.

Very Little Important Evidence Obtained—Case Adjourned Until Friday Next.

Quite a crowd of interested spectators assembled at the police court yesterday morning, when the adjourned hearing of the charge of defamatory libel preferred by the government against G. Sheldon Williams was taken up. J. P. Walls appeared for the accused, and the prosecution was in the hands of Deputy Attorney-General McLean, who represented the crown. Justin Gilbert acted as official reporter.

The first witness was C. Wentworth Sarel, and he was subjected to a most rigid examination by Mr. McLean, without, however, eliciting much material evidence. Mr. Sarel could not remember who wrote the article complained of, the name of the Victoria correspondent, nor anything which would serve to fix upon any individual the responsibility for the writing of the article. After Mr. McLean had exhausted every effort in a nearly two hours' attempt to elicit from the witness an acknowledgment that he knew anything about the alleged libel, the case was adjourned until Friday next, to afford Mr. Sarel an opportunity of producing in court the original manuscript. To do this Mr. Sarel will require to make a special trip to Kamloops. There were numerous spirited passages between counsel on points of law, and the case before it is finished promises to become very interesting.

Before being sworn, Mr. Sarel asked the court if he could be assured that he would get witness fees. He had been seriously inconvenienced by being compelled to remain in town so long from his business, and put to considerable expense. He thought he should be reimbursed by the court.

Mr. McLean explained that no witness fees were paid in such cases, and in this he was sustained by the court, who so informed Mr. Sarel.

The witness took the oath. In answer to questions by Mr. McLean, witness said he was editor of the Kamloops Standard. He had been editor for a year past, and was acting in that capacity on the date on which the alleged libellous article appeared—January 11 last. But he objected to severe questioning concerning his connection with the paper, as the evidence which he might give might incriminate himself and afterwards be used against him. He did not want to be placed in that position.

Mr. McLean and the court explained that he could object to any part of the evidence he might give being used against him, and such objection would be noted and the evidence not used to incriminate him.

The examination of the witness then proceeded. Questioned concerning the duties of an editor, witness replied that under ordinary circumstances it was to edit. This was the case with editors on most city papers, but in regard to running a country paper it was different. As editor of the Kamloops Standard he performed general duties, such as cutting wood, running the engine, collecting accounts, etc., besides attending to the editorial part. On January 11 last he had performed such duties.

Asked as to the personnel of the staff on the Standard, witness replied that those employed were Mr. Young, Mr. Case and Miss Wolf. Miss Wolf set type, as did also Mr. Case and Mr. Young, though the latter generally supervised the mechanical part. All copy did not necessarily pass through his (the witness') hands. It might be handled by anyone in the office. In fact it was frequently the case that items appeared in the paper which he did not see until after the paper was published.

He knew the defendant. He was not the sole Victoria correspondent of the Kamloops Standard. Very frequently the paper got letters from numerous correspondents who wrote from Victoria. He did not remember how many letters Williams had written to the Standard—it might have been five or fifty—perhaps twenty. He did not know Williams' handwriting. Williams could not be called the regular correspondent of the paper, but he very frequently sent him special information which was used as paragraphs in the paper. Yes, he had conversations with accused in regard to the article complained of since its publication. He had met Williams on Government street one day and said: "Hello, Williams, I hear that you are charged with writing those letters to me." Williams replied: "Is that so?" Then after a few other remarks not bearing on the case, the conversation ended. That was all.

At this point counsel for the accused protested against the admissability of evidence pertaining to any conversations which witness and Williams might have had. The libel had not yet been proved.

The court ruled that any evidence between the two affecting the case was pertinent and admissible.

Continuing, witness explained that his attention was first directed to the alleged libellous article in the Standard, through a paragraph which had appeared in the Sentinel. He had then looked up the paper. When he saw it he merely laughed. He thought it only a funny caricature.

Mr. McLean—Now, Mr. Sarel, under what nom de plume did Mr. Williams write letters to the Standard?

Mr. Walls objected to the question, but the court overruled his objection, and the examination proceeded.

Mr. McLean—Did he write under the nom de plume of "Observer"?

Witness—I really can't remember. The signature "Observer" is put under all letters from Victoria.

Mr. McLean—Would they be put under any letter sent from Victoria?

Witness—Yes; the signature "Observer" is commonly used by correspondents.

Mr. McLean—Give me the name of any other man who ever wrote to you from Victoria and used the non de plume "Observer"?

Witness—Well, Mr. Clarke and myself.

Mr. McLean—Yes; and where is Mr. Clarke now?

Witness—In England.

Mr. McLean—Point out the ones which appeared in January which were written by you.

Mr. Walls objected to this question, but the objection was not sustained by the court.

Continuing, witness explained that it was utterly impossible for him to say what letters or articles he had written. He could not remember or specify them.

Mr. McLean—Who wrote the letter appearing in the Kamloops Standard of January 11, dated from Victoria and signed "Observer"?

Mr. Walls again objected, claiming that the original article should be put in first and proved. He quoted authorities in support of his contention. The objection was not sustained.

Witness did not know who wrote the article.

Mr. McLean—Well, how did it get in the paper?

Witness in reply said letters coming by mail were frequently opened by himself or other members of the staff and the copy hung on the hook, and frequently part of letters dated from Victoria were written in Kamloops by himself and others and added on to the letters.

Mr. McLean—Yes, and how much of that article (the libellous letter) came from Victoria?

Witness—I can't say; I may have written parts of it myself.

Mr. McLean—Yes, and what parts did you write?

Witness—That last paragraph.

Mr. McLean—Did you write that paragraph? (reading paragraph which constitutes the alleged libel.

Mr. Walls objected, but was not sustained by the court.

Witness (continuing)—I might have written it. That is my style.

Mr. McLean then asked if he could produce the article. Witness thought he could. It would take some time, as it would be quite a task to hunt up the copy, which was scattered all over the place.

As to the paragraph referring to Mr. Joseph Martin, he had written it after a conversation with a gentleman from Victoria and had added it to the article signed "Observer."

Mr. McLean pressed for information regarding the particular letter itself. Did he open it or was it submitted to him. Witness replied in the negative.

Mr. Wells again entered an objection to this style of examination, and Mr. McLean retorted that he was endeavoring to extract necessary information from a witness who was certainly hostile and disinclined to assist him. The court agreed, after some argument, in Mr. McLean's contention.

Continuing the examination witness was asked if he did not know who wrote he article, or how much he himself wrote. Witness could not remember.

Mr. McLean then produced a copy of the Standard of a later date than the one in which the alleged libellous article appeared and directed witness' attention to an editorial headed "Unintentional Disloyalty."

Mr. McLean—Did you write that? Witness admitted that he had. Mr. McLean then read portions of the article, which consisted of an apology for the appearance in the Standard of the alleged libel.

Mr. Walls was up with more objections, which were overruled.

Mr. McLean—Do you approve of attacks on the Lieutenant-Governor?

Witness—No.

Mr. McLean—Then you could not have written that paragraph (showing witness that portion of the article alleged to be written by Williams, which refers to the Lieutenant-Governor as a "bewhiskered monstrosity."

Witness—I might have done so.

Mr. McLean (in great astonishment—What!

Witness—I can't remember if I wrote the paragraph containing the attack on the Governor, though I would not say that I did.

After some further questions of an unimportant character, Mr. McLean asked for an adjournment until Friday next, which was granted. Before adjournment. Mr. Scholefield, the provincial librarian gave evidence as to the filing of the Standard in the provincial library and as to the identity of the papers produced.

LONDON GOSSIP BY CABLE.

Unwelcome Influx of Continental Labor—Golfing in America—Winston Churchill's Novel.

London, Feb. 17.—The senate of Cambridge University has refused to accept the recommendations of the committee, and by a majority of 33 has decided to retain the order of merit in its famous mathematical tripos. Thus the quaint chapter which no longer signifies the best all-round mathematician of the year is saved from extinction. The decision meets with some severe criticism from the press.

It is a strange anomaly to find Great Britain, the home of the emigrant, threatened by the emigrant, yet such is the case. Industrial activity and the increase in wages in the United Kingdom have attracted hordes of Continental labor. Last month alone about 4,000 emigrants arrived, a large increase on the average. The Globe remarks: "When the present wave of industrial prosperity is succeeded by a wave of adversity, we shall have on our hands a multitude of foreigners, eagerly competing for the bread which ought by right to nourish the native-born. We have no legislative machinery for sifting out pauper aliens and returning them to their own country, as they have in the United States."

Mr. Winston Churchill's first novel, "Savrola," was published this week, and has been tolerably well reviewed. The young war correspondent has depicted the political intrigue and revolution in the imaginary republic of Laurania, throwing in lots of fighting epigrams and political maxims, the latter evidently gathered from his experience in England. The book was mainly written in 1897.

Lord Dunraven seems to be losing all interest in yachting. By reason of his failure to attend the requisite number of meetings last year, the Yacht Racing Association, he, so the announcement politely puts it, "ceases to be vice-president."

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "Of all the papers in this country that comment on the golfing gossip about Vardon in America, several are taking the view that Americans are to be surprised and not a little humiliated by the splendid golf he will no doubt show them. These papers insinuate that the American golfer rates his own prowess a very great deal too highly, and that he will be reduced to his proper level by a sight of the great champion's play. We believe this is stating the case for the American golfer very unjustly. We have seen nothing, have heard nothing and have read nothing to dispose us to be of the opinion that he has any inordinate notion of his own prowess. In fact he seems to look to the Old Country for models and masters in golf, with a modesty altogether becoming. Vardon is not going to give them any revelation."

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Letters to The Editor

THE RAILWAY BY-LAW.

Sir: During the agitation in the matter of the Victoria-Port Angeles proposition ex-Mayor Redfern and the aldermen of last year required of the promoters sufficient money to be placed in the hands of the city to cover the expenses of submitting the by-law asked for.

So far no mention has been made by the present mayor and aldermen what they propose doing with regard to the Victoria-Chilliwack and ferry scheme by-law. If, in the present case, they fail to make the Victoria-Chilliwack Ferry Company put up the expenses of submitting the by-law it will be regarded by the friends of the first proposition additional evidence of the unfair treatment accorded them. All we should expect and ask for is fair play. I hope when the above fact is called to the attention of our city fathers they will require the same conditions from the V.C.F. Co. as was required from the Victoria-Port Angeles Ferry Company.

W. H. BONE.

THE COST OF EDUCATION.

Sir: I am obliged to ask you to allow me a few words with regard to what in your paper of the 14th Mr. Eaton terms his "recaptiulation of his material points."

No. 1.—As a general statement, I think more or less correct, but as he has chosen the "method of comparison" he should, to make this statement pertinent, qualify it by the application of his method.

No. 2.—Seems to be a mere statement that the state expenditure here is not excessive because it compares favorably with that of other parts of Canada, and that it would be useless to carry his method of comparison outside the Dominion. These are statements of opinions, not facts, and I entirely disagree with them.

No. 3.—As a statement in favor of the necessity of higher education I fully assent to this, but I fail to see how it is pertinent to our discussion, as I never attempted to question that necessity and said so as clearly as I could. What I did question was the justice of the state making the general taxpayer pay for it, and in fact the principle of our whole system in that regard. Mr. Eaton seems careful to avoid argument on these points. Neither has he replied to my question as to other parts of the world.

No. 4.—I quite agree as to the absurdity of employing untrained teachers.

No. 5.—I fail to see the application of this clause to our subject. I would point out to Mr. Eaton that what I attempted to censure was the want of principle in question. Comparison is pertinent so far as it puts that want in a stronger light or otherwise, but it does not really affect the principle itself. To sum up:

Mr. Eaton thinks the appropriation of a sum of nearly one-third of our revenue to educational purposes very moderate and that we ought to spend more, and finds an excuse in the fact that other provinces are greater offenders. I think our expenditure is preposterous, and that his excuse is no justification at all. He thinks the principles of political economy are ideal. I think them real. He hopes there will not be one dissenting vote as regards a new High school building. I hope there may not be one in favor of it. I attempt to traverse his whole position. He declines to discuss my principal points and takes refuge in a series of statements, most of which I have not questioned. In fact we seem to be so diametrically opposed in our opinions and ideas that I see no use in taking up more of your space in discussion. We must, as the saying goes, "agree to differ." Please accept my thanks for permitting me to draw the attention of taxpayers to the great importance of doing something to strive to abate the abuse and injustice to which I think we are subjected in this matter.

EDWARD MUSGRAVE.

Duncans, Feb. 15.

HINT OF MEDIATION.

Paris, Feb. 17.—The London correspondent of the Figaro says he learns that President McKinley recently sounded Lord Pauncefote, with a view of ascertaining how an offer of mediation in the Transvaal difficulty on the part of the United States would be received, and that the English reply was that such an offer made officially would be considered as an unfriendly act.

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